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SPEAKER OF the House Representatives, Rod Jetton, talks with the Executive Director of Second Harvest Food Bank Nicholas Saccaro about the meals on wheels program. Second Harvest Food Bank provides food for the food pantries in St. Joseph, Mo., as well as Maryville and the surrounding areas.

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Jetton outlines plans to help elderly

By Dennis Sharkey
Co-Editor in Chief

Missouri Speaker of the House Rod Jetton R-156, announced last week his Three Initiatives plan to battle the growing need to feed the elderly.

Jetton's first initiative would appropriate money for home-delivered meals for non-Medicaid recipients. Jetton wants the general assembly to send \$1 million to these recipients.

The Speaker's second initiative is to give tax breaks to businesses and individuals who donate to local food pantries. Jetton's plan would call for a 50 percent tax credit to be capped at \$2,500 dollars per food pantry.

Jetton visited the Second Harvest Food Bank in St. Joseph last Friday as one of his stops on a statewide tour of food banks.

Second Harvest supplies many food banks in the region including the Ministry Center in Maryville. The elderly make up a vast majority of the center's recipients said the center's Director of Food Rod Shain.

In a press release from Jetton's office the Southeast Missouri Area Agency on Aging reported 17 senior nutrition centers closed throughout the state in 2004 and 2005.

"Missouri food pantries represent the heart and soul of Missouri," Jetton said in the statement. "We need to do all we can to support

them. I hope this initiative will do that."

Jetton said the program would sunset in four years to keep its growth in check and to make improvements as needed.

Although the center is in no danger of closing, any help is still welcomed.

Shain said recipients must qualify to receive food donations. An individual or family's income must be at 125 percent of the poverty level and they must live in Nodaway County.

"Since donations come from Nodaway county, we wanted to help Nodaway county," Shain said. "We

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Facing the issues together

Transportation and workforce plans dominate issues

By Dennis Sharkey
Co-Editor in Chief

One of the advantages of working as a group is identifying the objectives and then tackling them as a whole.

That is the approach the Great Northwest Council took Tuesday as the group traveled to Jefferson City as one large voice to be heard by Missouri's legislative body.

The annual trip is in its 20th year and brought over 300 northwest Missouri civic leaders to the state's capitol.

The contingency identified the key issues and divided up into groups to meet with various lawmakers to express their thoughts on those issues.

Higher education officials expressed their support for the proposed 2 percent increase in funding and looked for support for Bioscience funding.

One group headed by Frank Veeman, special assistant to the president for Northwest, spoke with Appropriations-Education Chairwoman Kathlyn Fares, R-91 about funding and capitol improvements.

Fares told the group she sees the need for the improvements and the need to keep intelligent minds in the state.

"There are some of us who would like to pay down debt," Fares said. "And there are a lot of us who know there hasn't been capitol improvements for a lot of years and there are a lot of people waiting."

"I want the kids in the best schools, and I don't want to keep on being an export state when it comes to our best and brightest."

Community officials focused on three main objectives, all pointing to

economic development.

The first issue brought up by multiple groups to different lawmakers was the issue dealing with Tax Increment Financing Projects and Imminent Domain.

Nodaway County Economic Development Director Lee Langerock headed a group that spoke with House Job Creation and Economic Development Chairman and the Joint Committee on Economic Development, Policy and Planning Chairman Ron Richard, R-129.

She expressed the groups concerns over TIF projects and the definitions surrounding Imminent Domain and what is considered a blight area.

Langerock said the city of Maryville has taken a responsible approach and has been successful in the two TIF projects the city has participated in.

She also told the representative the county had recently formed a TIF commission to examine issues and opportunities with TIF.

Richard told the group that he has worked to tear down the walls between rural and urban communities, but would not let urban irresponsibility stop rural development.

"I'm not going to let economic development suffer because of some egregious efforts in St. Louis county and Jackson county," Richard said. "There are a lot of things big cities need with our cooperation and small areas have all the hooks. So the big cities can't quite get it done unless we come to the table."

The second major issue is transportation. Senate Transportation Committee Chairman Bill Stouffer R-21 told Langerock's group that getting Interstate 70 and Interstate 44 fixed is the top priority for transportation.

He said getting those two roads

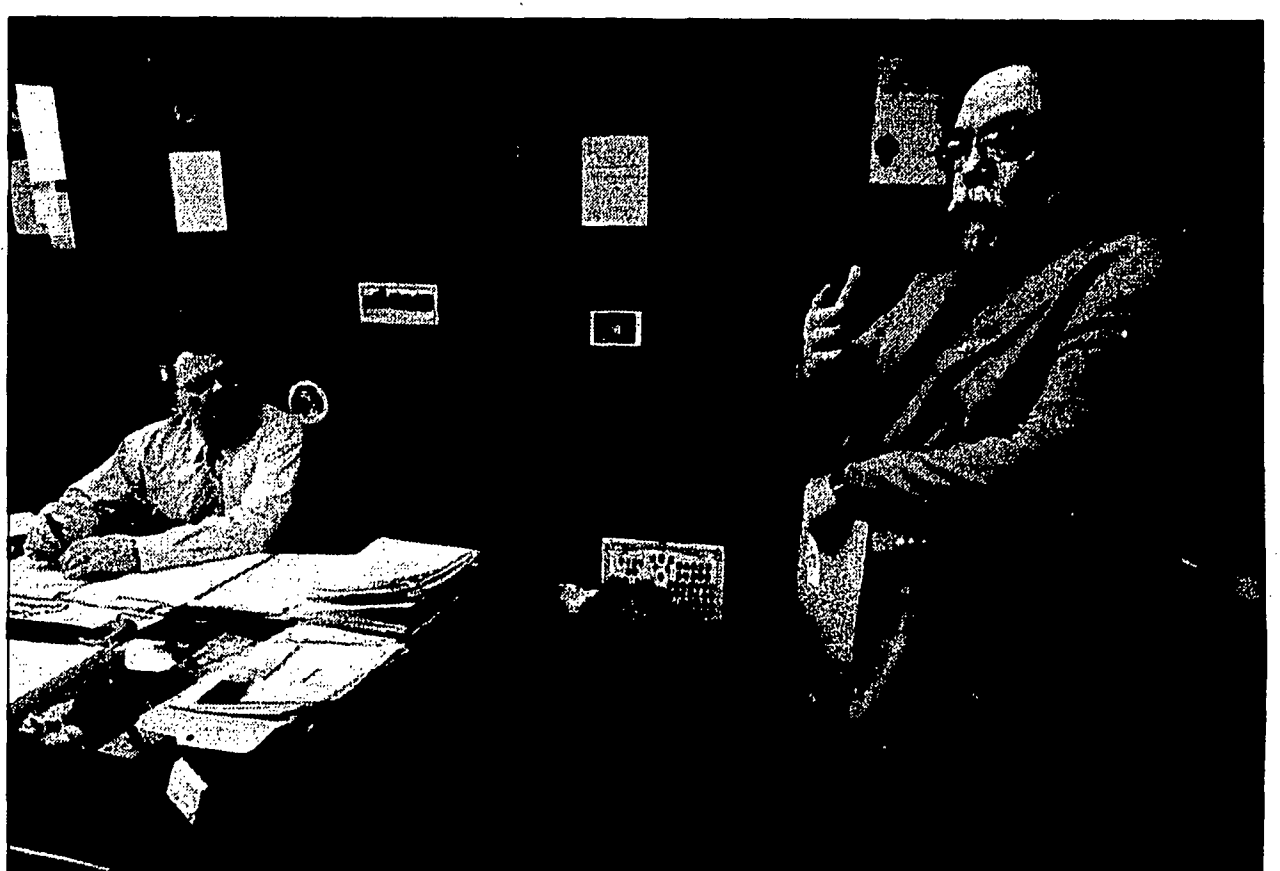
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PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

MARYVILLE MAYOR MIKE THOMPSON (right) and Nodaway county officials met with House Transportation Committee Chairman and Joint Committee on Transportation Oversight Chairman Neal St. Onge (left) R-88 to discuss road conditions. St. Onge told the group he and others would visit the county this summer to see for themselves. "That's what reinforces best in everyone's mind when they go out and see what we have to deal with. We can't see what we're dealing with sitting here in this building," St. Onge told the group.

Cooperation is key at Great Northwest Day at the Capitol

By Dennis Sharkey
Co-Editor in Chief

Tuesday over 300 people from 19 counties in the northwest Missouri region traveled to Jefferson City to speak to lawmakers concerning regional issues.

The annual trip started out as a class project 20 years ago, initiated by the Maryville Chamber of Commerce.

The group consisted of county and city officials, business leaders, education officials and citizens.

Maryville Mayor Mike Thompson has been participating in the program for the last nine years. Thompson believes the trip is an important but small part of the whole process of getting attention and appropriations funneled towards Maryville.

Thompson said in the past many members of the legislature seem to forget about what is north of St.

Joseph, Mo., and Maryville issues would not come to the forefront.

He said with the trips to the capitol and local leadership in the general assembly, Maryville is starting to get noticed.

"Brad Lager (R-4) has spent so much time letting people know that Maryville is not part of southern Iowa," Thompson said. "In the past everyone thought that everything stopped in St. Joseph, but were changing that."

Thompson also said that putting a face to the issue also helps the legislators remember the issue, in addition to giving them direction.

Thompson pointed to a trip to the nation's capitol as an opportunity the city was able to jump on, and

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Q & A with Wanda Sykes

Q: Not many people know that you worked at the National Security Administration. What did you do, how was it working for the NSA?

A: It was cool to have a top-secret security clearance. That was cool, you know, you had your badge and your special code and everything to get in and out of the building and that was pretty much the cool part about it. But the secrets they were so boring. It was absolutely nothing that I thought was of any interest. I was like 'why are we keeping this a secret.' It was cool just to say 'Hey I have a top secret security clearance.'

Q: What was it like doing the top-secret stuff during the day and at night doing stand-up?

A: During the day I was at the desk doing the nine to five thing, well

for me more like the 9:45ish. I was kind of late getting in. It was more like 9:45ish to sometimes the 4:15 thing. I was just bored. I just knew that there was something else I was supposed to do with my life.

Q: How did you know it was time to make the transition from doing your work there and then just saying 'I'm going to give this up and go straight into stand up and comedy?'

A: It got to a place where I just felt like I was robbing the taxpayers and robbing the government. Someone else who really wants to be here should be here instead of me. It just wasn't fulfilling and I was having more fun out doing stand up and that was my passion so I thought you know, I'm just going to go for it.

Interview was done in conjunction with Mark Calcutt of KZLX and Jessica Lavicky of the Northwest Missourian.

'Wanda does it' in Maryville

By Ashley Bally
Features Editor

Wanda Sykes performed for a large and eager audience at the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center, Wednesday night.

The act began with Keith Robinson at 8 p.m. and had the audience loosened up when Sykes took the stage.

"I think it's really nice," freshman Mildred Pope said. "It's different from the general people who come that only appeal to certain people, like rock bands, but Wanda Sykes is known throughout the entire community. That is the difference that I like about her."

Nothing was safe from her mockery. She challenged everything from gay rights to animal rights, from the Bush administration to prostitutes.

As Sykes took the stage she made a note of the overwhelming amount of churches in the Maryville area.

There is some serious joking going on in Maryville, Sykes joked.

The space program seemed to be a gray area for Sykes. She referred to the program as a welfare program for really smart people. She questioned why people would care if there was ever water on Mars, when people can turn on the faucet and there is water here.

She challenged why people are so concerned with leaving the planet when half of the country doesn't even have a passport. Why worry about leaving the planet, when people aren't even leaving the country?

Sykes' appearance on campus seemed to reach many students and most hope the trend will continue.

"I'm kind of surprised because I haven't seen someone like her come," senior Diezeas Calbert said. "I'm actually excited that she did come. We need more comedians, more people like her, to come and bring us entertainment during the year."



PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

COMEDIAN WANDA SYKES took the stage at PAC Wednesday night.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Blood drive benefits Community Blood Center, local hospitals

The Northwest Student Senate blood drive will continue from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, in the J.W. Jones Student Union Boardroom. Donations will benefit the Community Blood Center, which provides blood to local hospitals. For more information, contact the Student Senate at 562-1218. For medical questions, call (888)-647-4040.

Noted soprano in concert; includes foreign musical works

Internationally renowned soprano Jo Ella Todd will be in concert at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, at the Charles Johnson Theatre. The program will feature Italian, German, English and American music and will also include works by Ravel and Verdi and selections from George Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess."

Todd studied at both Harvard and the Mozarteum in Salzburg, Austria, and has performed in concert halls around the world. She is currently an associate professor of voice at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Todd will be joined by her husband, bass-baritone Daniel Urton, an associate professor of music at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Janice Wegner, a professor of piano, accompanying and piano literature at the University of Missouri-Columbia, will provide piano accompaniment.

The concert is free and open to the public. In addition, Todd will conduct master classes for Northwest voice students beginning at 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 4, in room 116 of the Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building. The classes are free, and no registration is required.

'Home Suite Home' tours for potential Tower Suite residents

The Northwest Tower Suites will host an open house, "Home Suite Home," from 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 7. The open house is an opportunity for those students who have never been in the Suites to see the rooms and visit the hall before signing up for the fall semester. Tours and refreshments will be provided. For more information, call the Tower Suites Office at 562-1023.

Play highlights life of outspoken political and religious figure

The Newman Center and the department of History, Humanities, Philosophy and Political Science will present "The Hermit in New York" at 7 p.m., Feb. 2nd at the Charles Johnson Theatre.

The play, directed by Stefan Brun, is a dramatic portrait of Trappist monk and American author Thomas Merton. Merton is considered to be one of the most influential and outspoken religious and political thinkers of the 20th century.

The presentation is free of charge but donations are encouraged to fund this event.

Free financial aid workshop

Northwest will host "College Goal Sunday," a free financial aid workshop, from 2 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 12, in Colden Hall.

The workshop is open to all college-bound high school students and their families.

It is designed for students who need assistance filling out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), as well as those who feel they cannot afford a college education. Financial aid experts will be on hand to help with the completion and filing of FAFSA forms.

"College Goal Sunday" is an annual nationwide program, held at a number of sites across the country. For more information about the program, including what to bring to the workshop, visit Collegegoalmissouri.com.

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Campus Safety has received several reports of fraudulent e-mails being sent to members of the campus community. The e-mails request that the recipients cash checks or money orders sent to them, then return a portion of the money. In all cases, the checks and/or money orders have been falsified.

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Anyone with information or questions about fraudulent e-mail should contact Sgt. Raymond Ottman at 562-1254.

The black list

Courtesy of Network World Magazine

■ November 2001: NTP files a complaint that claims RIM's BlackBerry infringes on several NTP patents, awarded originally to NTP co-founder Thomas Campana.

■ November 2002: U.S. District Court jury finds in favor of NTP, awarding it \$23 million in damages; RIM appeals.

■ December 2004: Appeals Court cancels the injunction, sends back the decision for some fine-tuning, but agrees that RIM infringed on NTP's patents.

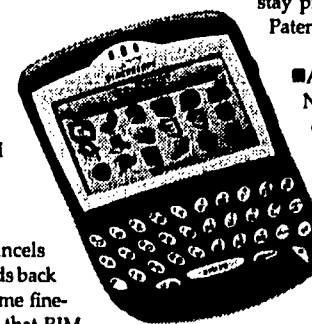
■ March 2005: RIM and NTP announce a settlement, with RIM to pay \$450 million and future royalties.

■ June 2005: Patent Office made a preliminary ruling that the claims in seven of eight NTP patents are invalid; RIM asks court to enforce the terms of the settlement, and stay proceedings pending final Patent Office rulings.

■ August 2005: Northwest enters into a one-year contract with Dobson Cellular Systems Inc. for BlackBerry use on campus.

■ November 2005: District Court Judge James Spencer rules the March settlement is not enforceable, and declines to grant any further stay.

■ February 2006: The U.S. Patent Office ruled in favor of Research in Motion Ltd., which rejects NTP's claim of patent infringement.



Blackberry crisis averted

By Brett Barger
Chief Reporter

Northwest faculty and students can rest assured that their BlackBerry service will not be interrupted after its manufacturer won a major decision Wednesday.

The U.S. Patent Office ruled in favor of Research in Motion Ltd., which is the maker of the BlackBerry e-mail device, according to a press release issued Wednesday. The Patent Office ruled and rejected NTP's claim on five of the seven patents. The

other two patents have been ruled invalid twice, in effect closing the long lasting dispute between the two companies.

The legal battle began in 2001 when NTP filed a lawsuit against RIM for copyright infringement. In November 2002, a jury awarded NTP 5.7 percent of U.S. BlackBerry sales. RIM and NTP were due back in court Feb. 24, 2006, for an injunction hearing to decide if the injunction and damages will be levied on RIM.

The BlackBerry has more than 3 million users in the United States.

Council analyzes trends

Northwest created a Strategic Planning Council to view 5 trends which may affect the University's future

By Evan Young
University News Editor

If colleges and universities want to avoid serious trouble 10 years down the road, they must be responsive to the demands of society.

That is the perspective of Daniel Yankelovich, whose November article in *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, "Ferment and Change: Higher Education in 2015," outlines five trends that will "radically transform higher education in the coming years."

The trends revolve around the changing of life cycles as the United States population ages, the nation's growing vulnerability in science and technology and the need to understand other cultures and languages.

Yankelovich also examines the need for higher education to become more socially mobile and the demand for public support for other ways of understanding scientific knowledge.

Yankelovich's article was discussed at the December 6, 2005 meeting of the Northwest Strategic Planning Council, where the trends listed in the article were viewed as a check-up on five existing trends the SPC identified over a decade ago.

These "mega trends," which included the growing global community and the impact of technology, have been part of the council's annual strategic planning ever since.

"Are the things that were true 10 to 15 years ago still true, or do they need to be added to?" said Paul Klute, assistant to the president and SPC coordinator. "We needed to decide whether these (original) trends fit with the current trends, or if they needed to be edited."

According to Klute, the SPC was not surprised because there were parallels between Yankelovich's list and their own.

Klute cited the trend regarding scientific and technological vulnerability as a trend common to both lists—and the one that Northwest is most likely the strongest in meeting.

"Going back to 1987, when Northwest created the electronic campus, Northwest knew that computers were the wave of the future," Klute said.

"Northwest, at that time, made it a priority to give all of its students access to computers. Today you can see that same ideology in the Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics and Computing, as well as the Center of Excellence for Plant Biologics."

While the SPC found nothing in Yankelovich's trends that was not already true, it still believes it is important not to ignore them.

"We wouldn't be moving forward at all (if we did nothing)," said senior Abby Stephens, president of Student Senate and SPC member. "We wouldn't stand for all the educational components we stand for currently."

"Northwest needs to meet the needs of the area; it needs to meet the needs of the different types of college students coming here—and that's something we need to prepare for because it's ever-changing."

The SPC has divided into five groups to analyze each of Yankelovich's trends. They have been assigned to determine the importance of the new trends as they relate to the Council's "mega trends" and to come up with recommendations on how to incorporate the new list into the original.

The groups will come together at the next SPC meeting Tuesday, Feb. 7, to discuss their findings.

"I think that this exercise provided and will provide when we have (the results) formalized," Klute said. "It will give us a good perspective of where Northwest is, compared to where experts in the field suggest we should be."

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New business targets horse lovers

By Jessica Schmidt
Copy Editor

Maryville horse lovers now have an alternative to shopping online, or relying on St. Joseph, Mo., merchants to find equine tack and equipment.

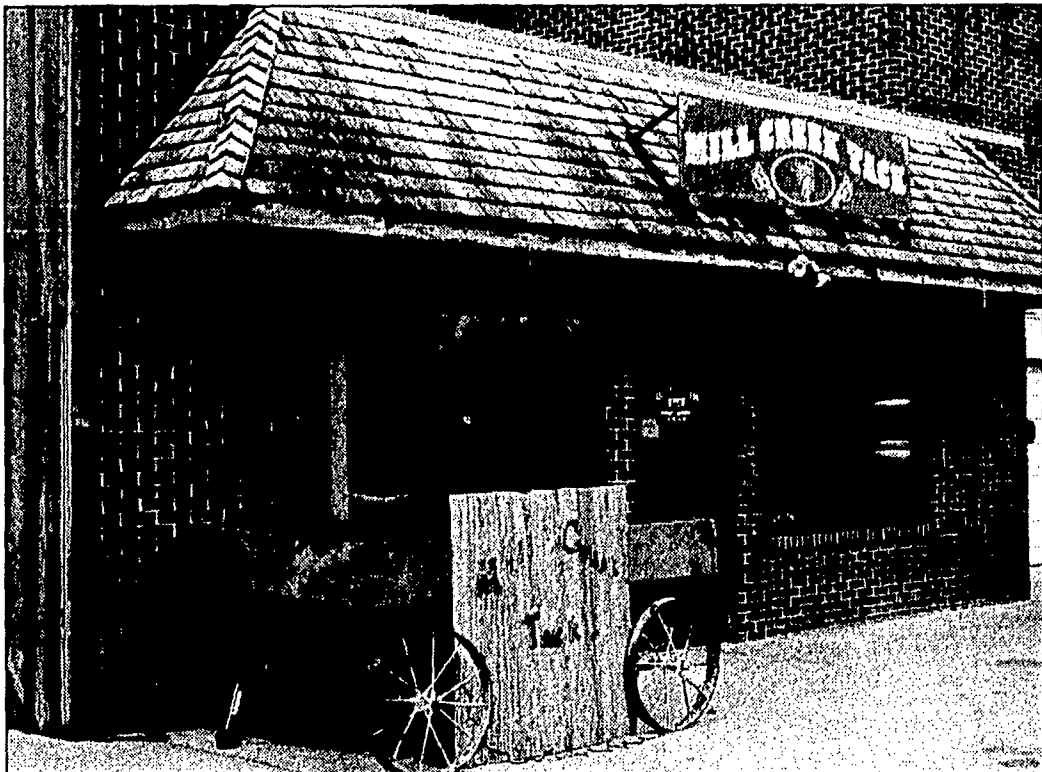
Mill Creek Tack, located at 105 S. Main in Maryville, opened up Nov. 25, 2005. The shop specializes in equine sales: particularly saddles, tack and clothing. Store owner Dee Marriot said the store does new and used consignment sales, offers equine feed products and some used-trailer sales for its customers.

"We do sell some feed," Marriot said. "We sell through Kent Feeds. They can special order it, and we do have a little bit on stock, we just don't have much warehouse space."

The store does not do leather repair, but can recommend customers to other businesses. For riders searching for English tack and equipment, Marriot said that they didn't carry much in store, but could special order the products on request.

The horse business is not new to Marriot, whose children compete in rodeos.

"(I've been around horses) forever. I've had about 40 years of horse experience.



MILL CREEK Tack sells feed, hats, rope, saddles and most everything equine. The store is located at 105 S. Main.

I grew up with them," she said.

For Marriot, Maryville offered to be a promising community for a western tack shop.

"Maryville offered a better location, and there are more people with horses here. It's a very horse-based community," Marriot said. "Many people here rodeo, show, rope or use horses to do farm and

ranch work."

Northwest rodeo team member Jessica Bush has shopped at Mill Creek Tack and was pleased with what she saw.

"It's nice to have something close to here," Bush said. "They've got quite a bit of stuff at a decent price, and if they don't have something in store they were willing to go out and get it for you."

So far Marriot said business in Maryville has been favorable.

"Spring season is coming up, and typically only the really die-hard riders ride throughout the winter," she said. "Most start riding more when the weather gets better."

Mill Creek Tack is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

CITYBRIEFS

Missouri Auditor to speak at Maryville Senior Citizens' Center

The Maryville Senior Citizens' Center will host a candidate for Missouri State Auditor Susan Montee 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 9.

Nodaway County Democrats are especially encouraged to attend. Montee's speech will include the upcoming election, her qualifications and the duties of the auditor.

Montee is currently the Buchanan County Auditor, where she has been serving since 2000. If elected, she will become the first state auditor to hold both accounting and law licenses.

After graduating high school at Bishop LeBlond in St. Joseph, Mo., Montee got her undergraduate degree in accounting from Drury College in Springfield, Mo. Her minors in economics and business were achieved from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

Community Renewal Campaign benefits from large donation

State Farm Insurance recently donated \$10,000 to the Maryville Campaign for Community Renewal project.

So far more than \$1.4 million of the \$1.7 million needed has been pledged.

Local State Farm agents Kerry Meyers and Kevin Neal applied for the donation from the National State Farm Foundation.

In a recent press release, Meyers said he was surprised with the amount that was donated.

"Especially in a year where they're giving quite a bit of money to New Orleans and Florida for the hurricanes, it's nice to see some of that money come home to Nodaway County," he said.

Two phases of development are being planned, with the first starting in a few months. It will include new stamped concrete, new landscaping and period-style ironwork around the Nodaway County Courthouse and surrounding area.

Maryville's U.S. Highway 71 business corridor will receive new architectural, landscaping and streetscaping elements during the second phase.

Police conducting compliance checks in upcoming month

Maryville Public Safety will be conducting compliance checks in the next month, according to Lt. Ron Christian.

The checks will be made at bars, grocery stores, restaurants and any other establishments that sell alcohol.

For the check, Public Safety selects a minor who falls under Missouri guidelines, such as age and appearance, and will send them into an establishment to attempt to purchase alcohol.

Christian said most establishments performed well in the past and he does not anticipate any problems.

The Maryville Ministry Center sums up annual donations

The Maryville Ministry Center has released its 2005 summary.

Clothing items distributed reached 36,906 for the year. During the months of March and April, \$18,000 was received in food and cash donations from the Feinstein Food Drive. Up to 150 families were served monthly.

The public is welcome to attend the Annual Board meeting on April 23. The meeting will feature the selection of Ministry Center Board members and the annual report.

For more information call the Ministry Center at (660) 582-6649.

City imposes new sign ordinance

By Cali Arnold
Community News Editor

Maryville business owners in the downtown area will have to think twice before revamping the signs on their buildings.

Members of the downtown square renovation committee generated the idea for the new ordinance. Much of it was based off of those done by similar-sized cities.

The new ordinance replaces the previous sign ordinance and covers East Vine Street through West Filmore Street and South Jenkins Street through North 6th Street.

Jim Wiederholt, Maryville code enforce-

ment officer, said a survey was handed out to all downtown business owners. It included questions about the appearance and attractiveness of business signs.

"Once we get the area renovated we would like there to be a consistency with the signs in the downtown area," Wiederholt said.

According to the new ordinance, all existing signs in the downtown area will be grandfathered in—they will not have to be changed. Any new signs will have to meet the new requirements.

John Yates, co-owner of The Pub, thinks the new ordinance will help beautify downtown Maryville. The old-fashioned sign currently up at the building will soon be replaced with an updated one.

Business wall signs were previously allowed 15 percent wall space and will now be given no more than 40 square feet. Projecting, awning and free-standing signs are also covered in the new ordinance.

Businesses will also now be required permits for posting temporary signs. Wiederholt said there was very little regulation before, but now a temporary sign cannot be installed for longer than 30 days.

Abandoned signs must be removed or permanently covered, as in painted or boarded over, within 60 days of written notification from the city.

Another new addition to the ordinance is that premise signs will not be allowed. Any advertisement for another business is prohibited on the property.

Barbecue restaurant well-received

By Andrew Glover
Chief Reporter

Bubba's, Maryville's only barbecue restaurant, has now been open for four months and so far has delivered all expectations, filling its capacity most weekend according to co-founder Brett Ware.

Ware believes his business has seen customer satisfaction as they plan to feed up to 400 people when they are open.

He realized there was a niche in the market for a barbecue restaurant and knew he wouldn't have any competition in Maryville.

"I think whenever people have our food they are usually pretty satisfied with what they get," Ware said.

When Bubba's started, they were only open on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. Ware said they extended business hours to an extra night, Thursday, as well as adding a lunch hour on Fridays.

Ware said their lunch hour on Fridays has been very busy, but also very fast for customers.

"It is very efficient, you'll find that it's basically

anywhere from one to three minutes as far as cycle time," Ware said.

The idea behind Bubba's was formed when Ware didn't like the idea of having to drive to Kansas City, Mo., every time he wanted barbecue. It wasn't until after Ware met world famous barbecue cook, Phillip 'Bubba' Fick that they decided to open a restaurant.

Fick, who is from Kansas City, shared many interests with Ware, and agreed that Maryville should have a barbecue restaurant.

"Turned out he liked to fish and hunt which is kind of what my hobbies are," Ware said.

"So, we had some parallelism and I honestly got tired of driving down to Kansas City for some good ole' home cooking. So, I said why don't we try to put up a place in Maryville?"

Ware wanted to build a restaurant which wasn't too big to have the opportunity to serve the best possible food to customers.

"This place only seats 50 people; we try to serve high-quality food in a fast manner so people can get in and get out and have a qual-

ity meal," Ware said.

Ware is confident in his business investment knowing his head cook can prepare world-class flavor.

"This guy's ribs literally are the world champion," Ware said. "His ribs are bar-none some of the best you are going to eat in the United States, not just the state of Missouri."

Assistant cook Kelley VanGundy says working with Fick has taught her a lot about the type of food they make.

"Nobody realizes all the hard work and all the skill you have to have until you

see someone like Bubba," VanGundy said. "It's amazing, he's unique and very impressive."

If you aren't into eating ribs you can still find something tasty from Bubba's.

"What's neat about this guy is if you try his chicken, his chicken is awesome. If you try the brisket, the brisket is awesome," Ware said. "He doesn't just have one thing."

Ware said if you want to try Memphis-style ribs, ribs that use a rub and not a sauce; that is what you can expect when dining at Bubba's.

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OURVIEW

Love Sometimes Hurts

In his passionate love-affair with democracy and elections, President Bush may discover that love hurts sometimes.

In the elections attended by approximately 80 percent of registered voters, the people of Palestine handed the historically militant Hamas party a stunning victory in parliamentary elections. With 76 seats, to the 43 held by the mainstream Fatah party, Hamas could now alter the face of peace proceedings with U.S.-backed Israel.

We at *The Northwest Missourian* observe this important moment in history with cautious optimism.

Hamas may now rightly say that their rise to power came not with a bomb's blast or rifle's fire, but at a peaceful ballot box. However, our own American leadership must not neglect to remember that, for better or worse, the people have spoken.

Should Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas follow through on his thoughts to resign if Hamas should gain a majority, Bush's frustration may just be beginning. Should Abbas resign, the Palestinian parliament could reform the government at its discretion, with minimal Fatah road-blocks. Shortly after the elections, Bush both publicly decried the violent history of Hamas and said he hoped Abbas would remain in office to work with the new government.

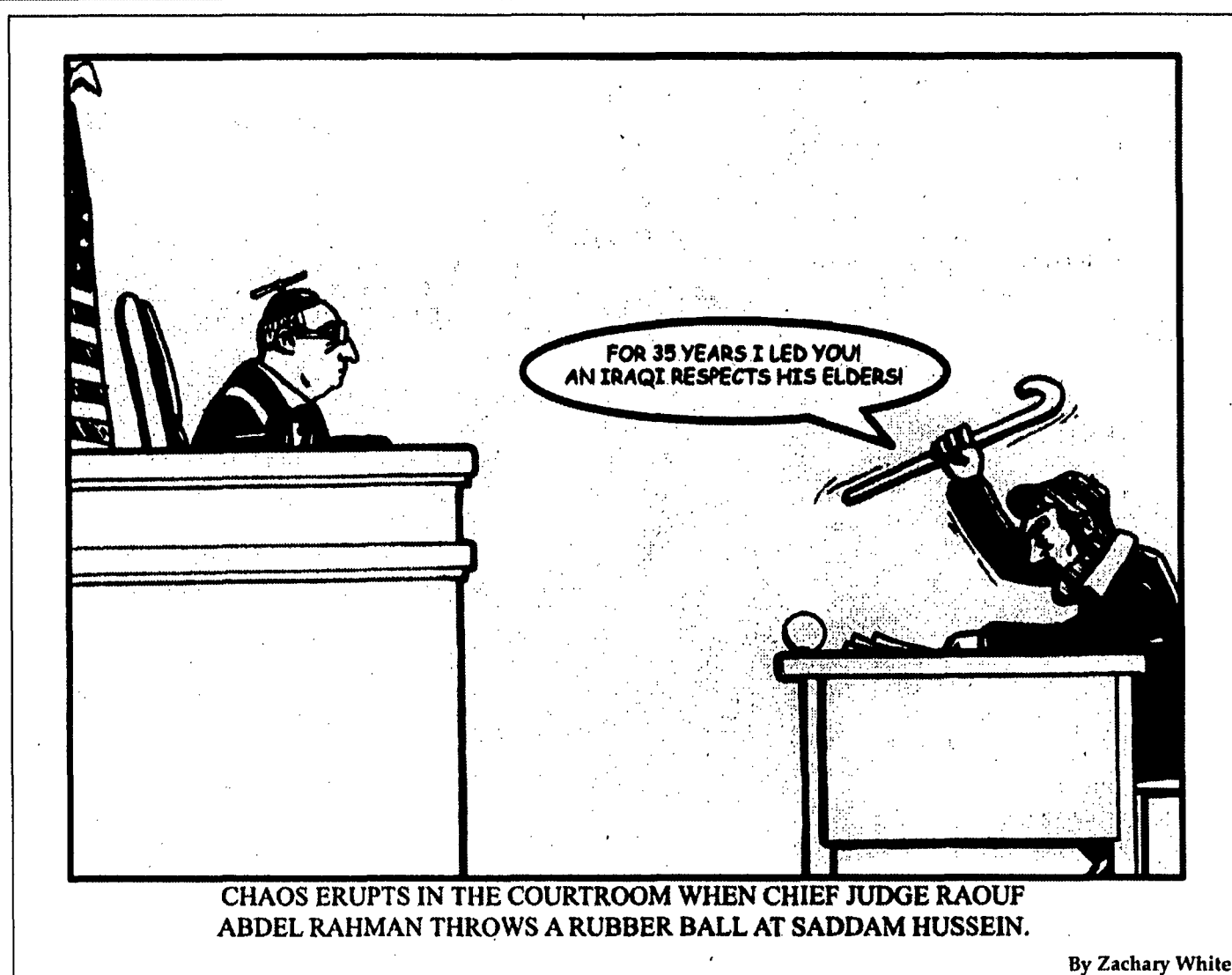
Before Bush lays a consequence of democracy.

What is a president to do when the democracy for which he cries yields a government he won't condone? Democracy doesn't include a provision that the leaders of the rest of the world must nod in approval at whoever the people chose.

They only must deal with it. Since rising to power, Hamas has done nothing to warrant the recent embargo threat from the European Union and United States, nor Bush's defensive, accusatory posture.

Bush must tread carefully here. They weren't his elections, and he doesn't have to approve of the results. If Hamas should revert to the righteous violence that colors their history, Bush must confront that scenario when it arises. In the meantime, Bush risks embittering U.S.-Palestinian relations by failing to accept the peoples' prerogative to dictate their leadership.

Bush doesn't have to approve of the results. But he'd better start living with them.



By Zachary White

State of Judiciary address sparks concern

This past week, Chief Justice Michael Wolfe of the Missouri Supreme Court addressed a joint session of the general assembly as he delivered the annual State of the Judiciary address. Wolfe described the different branches of government as "constitutional partners" who must work together to uphold the rule of law. He noted that many countries do not have a "strong tradition embodying the rule of law" and continue to carry out jus-

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tice in the streets.

Many nations of the world admire the constitutional processes in the United States. We demand the highest integrity in our courts and to our constitutional processes. This adherence to the rule of law ensures, as

Lincoln described, a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. Wolfe explained how independence, accountability and adequate resources lift our

judicial system above tyranny, lawlessness and corruption. As citizens, we rely on an impartial court system to protect our legal rights and the foundation of our forefathers.

In recent years, the courts have been in the news with their decisions ranging from the recent "Kelo" case last summer dealing with eminent domain, to the controversial ruling declaring "under God" in our Pledge of Allegiance unconstitutional. It is no wonder that the appointments of new justices to the U.S. Supreme Court include such vigorous discussions and debate. After all, our freedoms,

our liberties and our future hinge on their decisions.

The annual State of the Judiciary address reminds me that we as citizens have a responsibility and a commitment to ensure a "strong tradition embodies the rule of law." We have been given a great gift by our Founding Fathers, and we must ensure that the generations of tomorrow understand, respect, and carry on our nation's self-governance. Most importantly, we must ensure that the executive, the legislative and the judicial branches of government work to deliver reasonable and responsible checks and balances.

MAILCALL

This past week the Northwest campus was flooded with signs and flyers for AFTERdark. It was billed as a free concert and motivational speaker. In reality, it was a Christian band and a sermon.

This event was promoted without naming a sponsor on flyers and signs. The people handing out flyers were pushy and in-your-face. My complaint is not that God does not have a place on campus. I believe that faiths of all kinds have a place here.

My complaint is about the way the event was advertised. The promoters of the event were deceptive. This was a purposeful effort to trick people into coming. I firmly believe that if what you are selling is of value, it sells itself. If what you are selling is something you believe in, you

should not have to hide what it is or trick people.

If Common Ground, for example, had promoted a free concert and speaker (without naming their organization) and people had arrived to find a band and speaker promoting gay rights, people would have been angry. They would have felt duped and tricked.

While I believe in God and have many of the same values as the event's promoters, I feel that trying to trick people into coming to religious events is not appropriate. People have a right to make their own decisions, and to attempt to hide your agenda is insulting to their intelligence and only deepens the divide between people of different faiths.

Theresa Mischel

I used to think religion was something that is only discussed on Sunday mornings.

I had been trained by television and movies to think religion was something that shouldn't be discussed outside of the walls of a church.

Then I arrived at college and found that people actually discuss religious topics openly on a daily basis.

There are people that are willing to help you in your spiritual quest for answers and let you come to your own conclusions.

A University of California-Los Angeles study of 112,000 freshmen attending 236 universities found that 80 percent of students have an interest in spirituality.

You will not be able to avoid the topic on a college campus. If you have an open mind, your

faith will be tested regardless of what you believe, from atheism to Judaism.

The religious organizations offer an avenue for seeing what this God thing is all about. We try the best we can to create an atmosphere where you can ask questions without feeling like you're being judged.

When a large, or small, number of people gather, someone will inevitably fail someone in some way.

It's human nature.

AFTERdark was an invitation to come and learn that Christianity is a relationship, not a religion.

You can go to church every Sunday and never understand this concept. This event usually goes to major universities such as the University of Texas, Florida State University and the Univer-

sity of Colorado.

It was a once in a lifetime opportunity to have it come to Northwest, and we did not intend to waste it.

We couldn't tell by looking at someone's forehead if they were going to AFTERdark; so we invited everyone we could.

We care, so we spent hours personally inviting people when we could have been catching up on homework or spending time with friends.

Again, we are human and some people may have been turned off by happenings preceding the event. We do the best we can.

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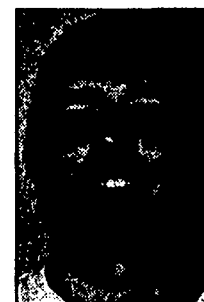
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Jan. 22

■ **Derrick E. Adams**, 20, Maryville, MIP, indecent exposure, 400 block North Buchanan.

■ **Timothy B. Masterson**, 19, Holden, Mo., MIP, 600 block North Walnut.

■ **Joshua L. Garnett**, 23, Tarkio, Mo., disorderly conduct, 300 block North Market.

■ **Ryan W. Etzler**, 20, Amazonia, Mo., possession of a controlled substance, 100 block North Market.

■ **Vehicle Damage**, 1600 block South Main.

■ **Ashley B. Mullins**, 21, Maryville, collided with **Michelle L. Hansen**, 20, Sheridan, Mo. Mullins cited for careless & imprudent driving, Cooper & Main.

■ **Jamie M. Holaday**, 19, Maryville, disorderly conduct, 400 block North Fillmore.

■ **James R. Gregory**, 85, Maryville, collided with **Michael J. Smith**, 52, Maryville. Gregory cited for failure to yield, Fifth & Main.

■ **Merle R. Leshner**, 78, Maryville, collided with **Natalie R. Valentine**, 20, Maryville, South Avenue & Main.

Jan. 24

■ **Sean P. Connolly**, 19, Maryville, failure to appear; **Arnold E. Roebkes**, 45, Maryville, failure to appear; **Howard L. Robertson Jr.**, 24, St. Joseph, Mo., failure to appear, 400 block North Market.

■ **Fraud**, Ongoing Investigation, 900 College Avenue.

Jan. 25

■ **Recovered property**, Budweiser key chain with 2 keys, 100 block South Main.

Jan. 26

■ **Jordan C. Teuscher**, 19, Maryville, failure to appear, 200 block East Third.

■ **Larceny**, purse & contents, 600 block East Jenkins.

■ **Towed vehicle**, red 1994 Camaro, 500 block North Walnut.

■ **Casey A. Kenny**, 21, Skidmore, Mo., collided with **Kendall L. Wright**, 19, Maryville, Fourth & Walnut. Kenny cited for failure to yield.

Jan. 27

■ **Morgan M. McGinnis**, 24, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, equipment violation, 200 block North Saunders.

■ **Jacob G. Carlson**, 22, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, equipment violation, 100 block North Munn.

■ **Jacob J. Fain**, 19, Platte City, Mo., possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana; **Luke M. Crawford**, 19, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana;

■ **Christopher T. Victor**, 18, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana; **Timothy J. Victor**, 18,

Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana; **Jonathan H. Summers**, 19, Maryville, possession of 35 grams or less of marijuana; 1100 block North College Drive.

■ **John G. O'Connor**, 22, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance; **Thomas J. O'Connor**, 21, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance, 600 block North Main.

Jan. 28

■ **Christopher J. Miller**, 19, Maryville, minor in possession of intoxicants; 400 block North Buchanan.

■ **Phelan J. Fujan**, 23, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance; **Mark J. Holthaus**, 21, Maryville, permitting a peace disturbance, 300 block South Main.

■ **Abbie S. Rockhold**, 19, Maryville, violation of barking dog ordinance, 300 block East Seventh.

■ **Larceny**, iPod, 500 block West Fourth.

■ **Larceny**, clothing, 500 block North Main.

■ **Tamara A. Jimenez**, 22, Maryville, open container in vehicle, 100 block West Fifth.

■ **Kevin J. Bradshaw**, 21, Maryville, disorderly conduct, resisting/interfering with arrest; **Clint D. Puckett**, 21, Conception Junction, Mo., disorderly conduct; **Brandon W. Cornelius**, 20, Maryville, disorderly conduct, minor in possession of intoxicants, 300 block West Fifth.

Jan. 29

■ **Alicia M. Pewitt**, 18, Maryville, minor in possession of intoxicants, 800 block North Walnut.

■ **Nathaniel P. Ebel**, 18, Maryville, indecent exposure, minor in possession of intoxicants, possession of an altered license, 200 block West Fifth.

■ **Larceny**, Guess purse & jacket, 300 block North Market.

■ **Property damage**, broken window & doorframe, 1000 block North Fillmore.

■ **Larceny**, iPod, 1000 block West Seventh.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Jan. 10

■ **Ashley M. Moses**, Bethany, Mo., speeding, fined \$56.50.

■ **Brian J. Burris**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$122.50.

■ **Kyle C. Wilmes**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$60.50.

■ **Debra L. Williams**, Clarinda, Iowa, speeding, fined \$97.50.

■ **Betty S. Leivan**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$83.50.

■ **Molly J. Kresha**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$78.50.

■ **Molly J. Kresha**, Omaha, Neb., failure to appear, fined \$72.50.

■ **Kristy B. Hernandez**, St.

Joseph, Mo., speeding, fined \$64.50; failure to appear, fined \$92.50.

■ **Kyle D. Nespry**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$82.50.

■ **Fabbian A. Whaley**, St. Joseph, Mo., speeding, fined \$250; failure to maintain financial responsibility, fined \$372.50; failure to appear, fined \$72.50.

■ **Stephanie L. Kilpatrick**, Lenexa, Kan., failure to stop at stop sign, fined \$97.50.

■ **Mikel D. Strough**, Hopkins, Mo., driving while revoked, fined \$522.50; failure to appear, fined \$272.50; failure to pay, fined \$322.50.

■ **Scott A. Honeyman**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$297.50.

■ **Aaron C. Catron**, St. Joseph, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$50; failure to appear, fined \$122.50; MIP, fined \$372.50.

■ **Mary K. Womack**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$335.

■ **Kassie A. Davidson**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$297.50.

■ **Jonathan P. Sielaff**, Skidmore, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$355.

■ **Joel M. McGinness**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$522.50.

■ **Stephanie L. Jacobs**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$277.50.

■ **Steven D. Curtin Jr.**, Maitland, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$297.50.

■ **Erica K. Dickey**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$47.50.

■ **Brandon W. Osborn**, St. Joseph, Mo., operating a vehicle without valid driver's license, fined \$422.50; failure to affix front licenser plate, fined \$50.

■ **Jan S. Carlson**, Maryville, operating a vehicle without a valid driver's license, fined \$522.50.

■ **Jessica B. Daniels**, Oak Grove, Mo., operating a vehicle without valid driver's license, fined \$272.50.

■ **Kevin M. Chancellor**, Maryville, failure to maintain financial responsibility, fined \$522.50.

■ **Jill R. Downing**, Maryville, failure to maintain financial responsibility, fined \$372.50; improper registration, fined

\$122.50.

■ **Michael A. Lager**, Maryville, improper registration, fined \$72.50.

■ **Brittany M. Fischer**, Maryville, improper registration, fined \$72.50.

■ **Christopher O. Hinricks**, Maryville, improper registration, fined \$72.50.

■ **Tori J. Norman**, Maryville, failure to yield, fined \$1247.50; failure to appear, fined \$122.50;

■ **Brian M. Clarke**, Maryville, failure to yield, fined \$97.50.

■ **Christopher M. Wolters**, Maryville, failure to yield, fined \$137.50.

■ **Debi S. Wogomer**, Clarinda, Iowa, careless and imprudent driving, fined \$97.50.

■ **Chance N. Williams**, St. Joseph, Mo., failure to appear, fined \$72.50; failure to pay, fined \$97.50.

■ **Rafael J. Massey**, Maryville, failure to appear, fined \$172.50; failure to pay, fined \$172.50.

■ **Aaron M. Brown**, Maryville, failure to appear, fined \$72.50; failure to pay, fined \$122.50.

■ **Charles T. Gochenour**, Holden Mo., failure to appear, fined \$72.50; MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Spencer R. Carlson**, Maryville, failure to appear, fined \$72.50; open container in vehicle, fined \$122.50; MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **James B. Halvin**, Red Oak, Iowa, failure to appear, fined \$122.50.

■ **Abigail M. Bono**, Maryville, possession of an altered driver's license, fined \$272.50; disorderly conduct, fined \$122.50.

■ **Daniel L. Street**, Maryville, providing false information to officer, fined \$522.50.

■ **Katherine R. John**, Maryville, supplying alcohol to a minor, fined \$272.50.

■ **Janelle Logan**, St. Joseph, Mo., peace disturbance, fined \$222.50.

■ **Keejet Gehrt**, Kansas City, Mo., peace disturbance, fined \$122.50.

■ **Elizabeth A. Holmes**, Maryville, peace disturbance, fined \$122.50.

■ **Kimberly D. Snodgrass**, Chesterfield, Mo., peace disturbance, fined \$122.50.

■ **James B. Halvin**, Red Oak, Iowa, peace disturbance, fined \$322.50.

■ **Martin D. Curley**, Maryville, peace disturbance, fined \$222.50.

■ **Ashley N. Miller**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Shanna L. Seltz**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Carl L. Zimmerman**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Alison M. Hatfield**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Karl B. Long**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Amy Farrow**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Laura E. Fowler**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$322.50.

■ **Brittney V. West**, Maryville, under age of 19 in bar, fined \$122.50.

■ **Charron N. Whitmer**, Maryville, assist under 19 in bar, fined \$222.50.

Jan. 17

■ **Rachel A. Burnett**, Maryville, speeding, fined \$60.50.

■ **Avery W. Woodard**, Kansas City, Mo., improper registration, fined \$47.50.

■ **Steven R. Mozier**, Maryville, improper registration, fined \$97.50; failure to provide proof of insurance, \$197.50.

■ **Jamal K. Rankins**, Maryville, failure to provide proof of insurance, fined \$197.50; operating vehicle without front plate properly affixed, fined \$50; no valid driver's license, fined \$100.

■ **William R. House**, Maryville, operating vehicle without headlights, fined \$72.50; no valid driver's license, fined \$500; defective equipment, fined \$350.

■ **Daniel A. Tubbs**, Maryville, careless and imprudent driving, fined \$97.50.

■ **Mary E. Nelson**, Maryville, careless and imprudent driving, fined \$97.50.

■ **Keith D. Jackson**, Maryville, careless and imprudent driving,

fined \$97.50.

■ **Jerry L. Mozier**, Maryville, failure to yield, fined \$97.50.

■ **Terrie R. Jackson**, Maryville, stop sign/stop light violation, fined \$97.50.

■ **Heather R. Thuman**, Maryville, stop sign/stop light violation, fined \$97.50.

■ **Marcia Synanski**, Maryville, stop sign/stop light violation, fined \$97.50.

■ **Colby J. Chesnut**, Maryville, driving while intoxicated, fined \$522.50; defective equipment, fined \$275.

■ **Andrew J. Bozarth**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$322.50.

■ **Steven C. Elenz**, Smithville, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$275; MIP, fined \$222.50.

■ **Philip T. Afton**, Lee's Summit, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$297.50.

■ **Francis J. Stephenson**, Maryville, defective equipment, fined \$432.50.

■ **Ryan T. O'Connell**, Conception Junction, Mo., defective equipment, fined \$297.50.

■ **Jeremy L. Hughes**, Maryville, failure to appear, fined \$72.50.

■ **Holly R. Durben**, Virginia Beach, Va., failure to appear, fined \$72.50; failure to pay, fined \$97.50.

■ **Aaron T. Slains**, St. Joseph, Mo., littering, fined \$100; MIP, fined \$222.50; providing false information to an officer, fined \$250.

■ **Nathan L. Sisk**, Maryville, MIP, fined \$222.50; providing false information to an officer, fined \$250.

■ **Larry R. Catlett**, Maryville, providing false information to an officer, fined \$122.50.

■ **Jessica N. London**, Maryville, peace disturbance, fined \$222.50.

■ **Timothy J. Combs**, Denver, Mo., disorderly conduct, fined \$322.50.

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wanted to take care of our own."

Last July the center began serving 100 additional families through a federal low-income commodity program.

The center completely depends on donations and has an entirely volunteer-based staff.

Shain said the staff consists of him and five others and numerous other volunteers throughout the year. A nine-person elected volunteer committee also runs the center's business affairs.

Shain said many of the donations come from individuals who wish to remain anonymous and businesses such as Hy-vee and Subway. Much of the other donations are a result of the community's help and food drives.

"We have really received a lot of support from the community," Shain said. "At certain times of the year schools get involved, realtors, courthouse workers and others who work in the other buildings get involved so it's pretty wide spread and we really appreciate that."

Shain also added there is no guarantee the money to pay

the overhead will come in every month, but he is confident the bill will get paid because someone on the board will step up.

The third part of Jetton's plan calls for a supplement to food stamps the elderly already receive from the federal government.

Shain said he knew of some elderly folks who receive as little as \$12 a month in food stamps.

The Speaker's plan would call for the state to supplement the difference to bring those who receive less than \$30 in federal food stamps to that amount and elderly couples could receive \$60. Jetton plan calls for this part to sunset in two years. He believes his plan helps legislators honor their dual responsibility to the needy and the taxpayer.

"The food stamp program keeps food on the table for a lot of Missourians," Jetton said in the statement. "For some seniors, the amount they receive each month just comes up short. Plus, with the increasing utility costs and gas prices, too many of our elderly are having to choose between paying for food and paying their gas bills, prescription drug bill or their rent. This is a small way we can make a real difference."

CAPITOL: Lager and Klindt both pleased with turn-out

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just being there and telling the legislator their problems secured federal funding for the airport expansion project.

"When they have some type of sense of direction and a name and a face to the conversation they're more likely to remember you," Thompson said. "If you don't have that visibility or that contact when something comes up or a bill comes up, and somebody else has been down here talking about their needs and you haven't guess who's going to get that attention, so as mundane as it may feel sometimes, this is very important."

Missouri State Senator David Klindt R-12 agreed with Thompson and said putting

a face to an issue is the key to getting the process started.

"The most important thing is they are here and our colleagues can put a face to an issue," Klindt said. "When ever we talk about northwest Missouri, the legislature remembers some of the people they met, so instead of being faceless, it suddenly becomes an issue we have faces with."

Lager said it's important for the people from northwest Missouri to come and reiterate the issues they face, and he talks about everyday with the other legislators.

He believes what was most impressive was the large presence the group made with the general assembly.

"No other part of the state does what we do," Lager said. "There is no event while

were down here in session that has this kind of turnout.

"We are very lucky to live in an area where we can all work together."

Mike Thomson, who works for the admissions department at Northwest and is running for the district four spot next year, also made the trip.

He said in addition to getting the northwest Missourian message out to legislators it also helps build resourceful relationships among community members.

"Everyone gets together and gets kind of excited about being here," Thomson said. "When they get back they work better together. They show up at meetings and say 'hey I met you down here and let's get together and work on things.'"

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fixed would get money off the table and towards lettered highways that also desperately need it.

Stouffer said his dream would be to have four lanes on I-70 and I-44; two lanes for cars and two lanes for trucks that would be able to handle the overflow traffic and weight.

"It's amazing how much we've poured into those two roads and how much we have tied up," Stouffer said. "Anybody who has been on one these two roads, know there is no room for mistakes."

"They are beyond capacity and they have been for several years. I don't care who you are, you wander sometimes and if you're on one of these two roads, your

in trouble. We have two bills for memorials for state troopers hit on the side of the highway. Folks, we don't need to be hearing these bills."

Stouffer said funds are going to be hard to come up with, but one option he definitely is not in favor of is a Missouri fuel tax raise. He is in favor however, of a federal tax increase.

"I don't want to do anything that would hurt our competitiveness on the edges," Stouffer said. "We have a competitive advantage with our fuel tax on our neighbors. I don't want to run business out of the state to somewhere else."

The third major issue was the lack of workforce in the northwest area. Major businesses are ready to expand but cannot attract enough employees.

Maryville officials said most housing being built is on the higher-bracket range.

Maryville Public Works Director, Greg Decker, told House Appropriations-Public Safety and Corrections Chairwoman Danielle Moore R-20, that it is the chicken or the egg concept problem for the city. Do you bring in the jobs first, or provide the housing first?

Moore told the group she faces the same complicated concept of the issue when looking at the corrections system and having jobs for those who leave jail. Many don't want to provide jobs to these people or they simple are not available.

"Ninety-seven percent of those folks get out," Moore said. "If we want them to not re-offend then we better have jobs for them."

FUTURE ARTIST



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AT THE Artisan in Maryville, Caden Stevenson, 4, takes a closer look at a model painted by Dick Felton.

Without a deal, Congress to give Patriot Acts talks one more month

By Laurie Kellman
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON - The House on Wednesday agreed to extend the USA Patriot Act for a month while conservative Republicans and the White House work out changes intended to protect people from government intrusion.

The GOP-controlled House used a voice vote to keep the law in effect until March 10 so negotiators have more time to come up with a deal.

The Senate was expected to follow before the law expires on Friday.

Just before leaving for Christmas, Congress extended the law until Feb. 3. Senate Democrats and four libertarian-leaning Republicans had blocked a final vote on a measure negotiated by

the White House that would have made permanent most expiring provisions.

The Republicans were concerned about excessive police powers.

"It is imperative that we not play political games with the tools that our law enforcement needs to prevent another terrorist attack," said the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis.

House Democrats said they did not want the Patriot Act to expire but are pressing for civil rights protections before renewing it permanently.

The extension "will give members a chance to work together," said Rep. Robert Scott, D-Va.

Added Rep. Jane Harmon, top Democrat on the House Intelligence Com-

mittee: "We must extend it, mend it, but not end it."

It would be the second time Congress has extended the law.

Originally passed five weeks after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, the Patriot Act was due to expire Dec. 31.

President Bush in his State of the Union speech Tuesday called on Congress to renew the expiring 16 provisions.

"The enemy has not lost the desire or capability to attack us."

Fortunately, this nation has superb professionals in law enforcement, intelligence, the military and homeland security," Bush said.

The law makes it easier for federal agents to gather and share information in terrorism investigations, install wiretaps and conduct secret

searches of households and businesses.

At issue are 16 provisions that Congress wanted reviewed and renewed by the end of last year.

Objections to the compromise last fall centered on the degree to which people and institutions that receive National Security Letters — secret requests for phone, business and Internet records — can appeal them in court.

Sens. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, and John Sununu, R-N.H., say the law makes it nearly impossible to challenge such letters and their secretive demands for information.

Craig told reporters this week that the White House had agreed to some changes that would address his concerns, but declined to describe the talks further.

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Football class filled with size

By Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

Last year, Northwest football coach Mel Tjeerdsma signed a recruiting class filled with speed.

This season, Tjeerdsma opted for size.

Tjeerdsma announced the signings of 23 high school student-athletes and two Division I-AA transfers Wednesday—including 13 linemen.

"(Speed) was not a priority this year. We had to really concentrate on the guys upfront on both sides of the ball," Tjeerdsma said.

Eight offensive linemen signed to Northwest—a big difference from last year, when only two offensive linemen signed with the Bearcats.

"On the offensive side of the ball, I think we have some prospects, they will take a few years to develop," Tjeerdsma said. "But they have great frames, they have to put on weight, the two or three sport guys."

Tjeerdsma also picked up five defensive linemen. Tjeerdsma believes that those players will have a good shot at getting playing time as early as next year.

"On the defensive side, I think we have maybe three or four defensive linemen that I think are going to have an opportunity at least to challenge to play next year as freshmen," he said. "Not as a starter but to get into our two-deep; so that's exciting, too."

Two big pick-ups for Tjeerdsma are Division I-AA linebacker transfers Daniel Gabris and Thomas Smith.

"Obviously, Thomas Smith is an outstanding player. He's been a three-year starter at Northern Colorado and an all-conference player," Tjeerdsma said. "Not only that, but he's really a quality person, we're really pleased with him."

Smith remembers his first encounter with Northwest football. He was a freshman at Northern Colorado when it, then a Division II program, knocked off Northwest in Maryville in the playoffs.

The linebacker for Northern Colorado (now Division I-AA) played for the next couple years with the Bears until he tore his ACL and was forced to redshirt this past season. Then Smith, a Denver native, decided to transfer to a Division II school to keep his eligibility. After visiting the campus for the Central Missouri State game in October, Smith committed about two weeks later.

"I just liked (defensive coordinator Scott) Botswick and the facilities a lot," Smith said. "...They (the teammates) have been great, I've been hanging out with a lot of the guys on the team."

Smith, who was an Honorable Mention All-Great West team selection in 2004, is also joined by another linebacker transfer. Daniel Gabris, of St. Louis, transfers from Western Illinois University. Gabris and Smith will join returning linebackers Ben Harness and Jared Erspamer as well as younger

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Momentum shift

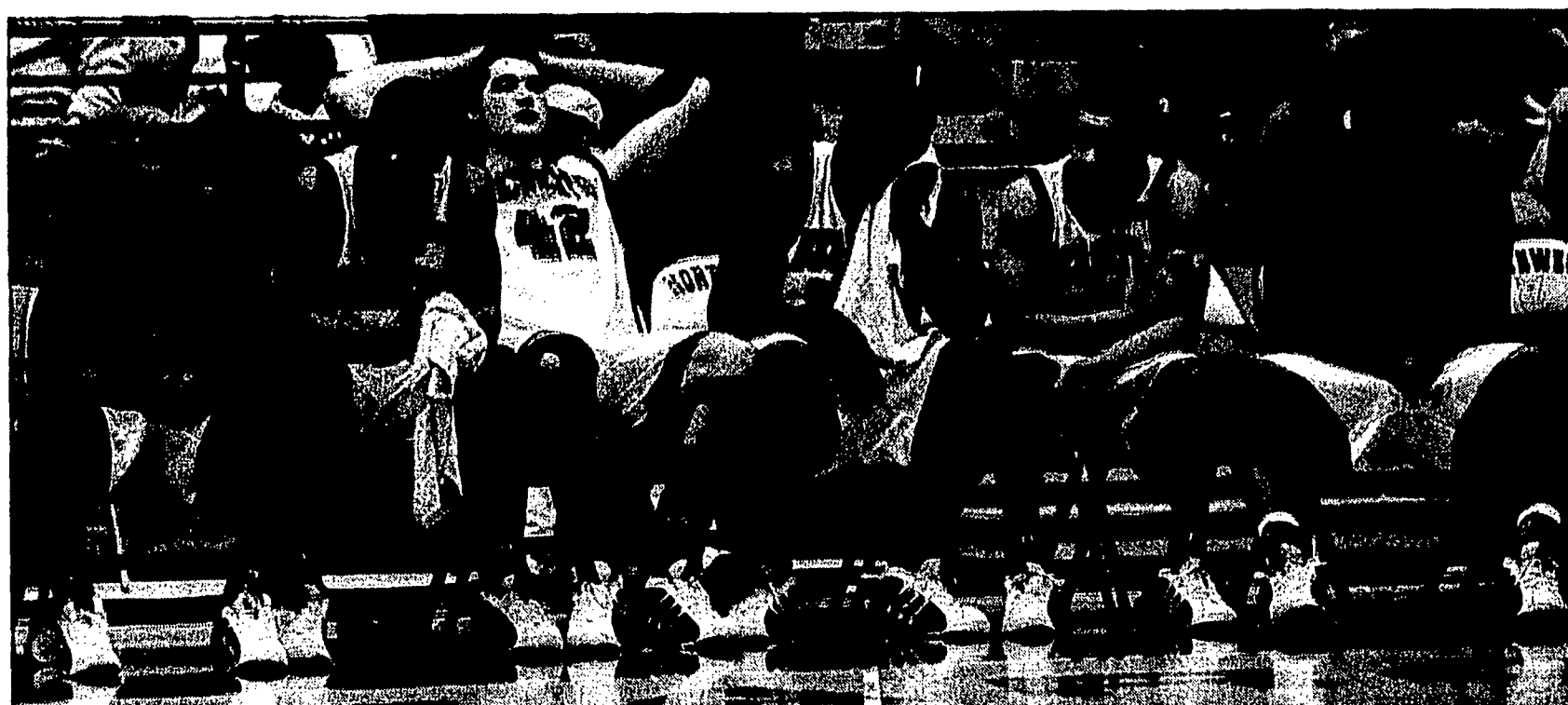


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NORTHWEST PLAYERS think to themselves while time winds down during Saturday's home loss to Central Missouri State.

Bearcats drop third straight after previous winning streak

By Jerome Boettcher
Sports Editor

The recent downhill slide continued Wednesday night for the Northwest men's basketball team.

Northwest dropped its third straight game to visiting No. 22 Truman State, 76-71. The Bearcats seemed to be moving right along with a six game winning streak a week ago. However, since falling in Kirksville last week to Truman, Northwest has been heading in the opposite direction.

"This has been a good team all year long but this is most frustrated I've been with our team all year," head coach Steve Tappmeyer said. "I felt like it was effort and selfishness and different things like that showed up."

The 'Cats jumped out to a quick 5-0 lead but the Bulldogs answered with 7-0 run of their own. The teams stuck close to each other throughout the first half as the biggest lead was six. Northwest went into halftime tied with Truman at 34-34.

However, when they came back out for the second half, it was a dif-

ferent story. Truman started off the half with a 17-3 run and led 51-37 with 15:34 remaining. Northwest responded right back with an 11-0 run to close it within three points but that was as close as it would get. The 'Cats would cut it to 69-66 after Addae Houston hit a three-pointer with 1:24 left. However, Truman State's Austin Kirby responded with a three-pointer to halt any chances of a Northwest comeback.

It was Kirby's seventh three-pointer for the night, as he shot 80 percent from the field and finished with 24 points.

Though Northwest forced 18 turnovers, open looks were there for Truman. The Bulldogs shot 55.1 percent from the field, shooting 60 percent in the second half. Truman State also shot 50 percent from beyond the arc, with many wide open looks.

"We were just soft, there is just no way around it," Tappmeyer said. "I thought maybe it would be to our advantage playing them so recently. We started the game not defending and giving some easy shots...We looked like (at times) 'hey we don't want to keep extending the same

energy that got us back in.' Then we turned soft—they made us pay almost everytime we did that."

Tappmeyer thought part of the intensity problem was because the team had suffered recent injuries and they had been easing in practice. Hunter Henry did not play due to a sprained foot he injured against Central Missouri State Saturday. Tappmeyer said Henry would be out for awhile. Andy Peterson wore a protective facemask Wednesday due to a nose injury he suffered Saturday.

Austin Meyer led the team with 25 points. Matt Withers and Houston each scored 11, and Xzavier Gaines added 10.

It was the first time since the 1998-1999 season that Truman swept Northwest in the regular season series.

Northwest (15-6, 6-4), now No. 4 in the South Central region, will try to end the skid when they travel to play Pittsburg State at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

"I know I take the responsibility, because I know seniors should take the responsibility because this is our

team," Gaines said. "This is our last go-around and we should get these guys together and let's try to make this season like we all (visualized) at the beginning of the year."

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL RANKINGS

Northwest dropped from No. 1 to No. 4 in the region after two straight losses last week. The standings are released weekly by the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee.

1. Southwest Baptist	18-2
2. Tarleton State	17-4
3. Central Missouri State	16-4
4. Northwest	15-5
5. Truman	16-4
6. St. Edward's	15-4
7. Emporia State	14-8
8. Missouri Western	13-7
9. Central Oklahoma	11-8
10. Southeastern Oklahoma	12-6

*Records as of Wednesday

Nelson, Friederich power 'Cats' win

By Brendan Kelley
Assistant Sports Editor

The Northwest women's basketball team used a strong second-half performance teamed with scoring from Kelli Nelson and Laura Friederich to overcome a slow start and hand the visiting Truman State Bulldogs a 74-55 loss Wednesday night.

"I don't know why we came out flat," Nelson said. "I try to get ready for the game every single day the same way, but some days you come out good and some you don't."

The 'Cats found themselves knotted up at four with the Bulldogs with 16:38 left in the first half, when Friederich hit a basket to put the 'Cats up by two. Northwest would not surrender the lead the rest of the night.

Even though the 'Cats held the lead throughout the rest of the first half, they failed to put the Bulldogs away despite Truman State shooting only 18 percent from the floor and 6 percent from behind the arch.

Northwest led by six at the break, 26-20.

"We were in trouble at half,

they were shooting 18 percent and were only down six, that's scary," coach Gene Steinmeyer said. "We had 12 turnovers in the first half and they weren't really even pressuring us."

Truman hit the first two baskets of the half to pull within two of the 'Cats, but once again Friederich hit a basket to put the 'Cats in front by four and start a 7-0 run that would set the tempo for the 'Cats for the remainder of the half.

Northwest used various short runs of eight and six points in the second half to close the door on the Bulldogs and walk away with the

19-point victory.

"We knew what we had to do, we knew we had to pick it up if we wanted to pull away with it because Truman could obviously get back in it easily," Nelson said. "We knew if we wanted to win it we had to come out with a different aspect the second half."

Friederich knocked in 21 points on the evening and Nelson led 'Cat scorers with 26 points as well as contributing five steals and two assists.

"I didn't think I came out ready, but it just came to me as we went," Nelson said.

'Hounds fall to Tigers on senior night as season winds down



PHOTO BY MIKE DYE / PHOTO EDITOR

MARYVILLE JUNIOR Cliff Robertson struggles to take down Casey Cahill in Saturday's wrestling tournament held at the Maryville High School. Ten schools attended the event. The Spoofhounds also had a wrestling match against Plattsburg in which they lost 48-33 on Tuesday night.

Senior doesn't get to wrestle due to team's forfeit

By Andrew Glover
Chief Reporter

A night set to honor three Maryville High School senior wrestlers began on a sour note Tuesday.

Cody Gillenwater, a three-time state qualifier and co-captain, was barred from wrestling his last home match due to a strategy of forfeiting the 130-pound match to setup a later match, a decision made by the Plattsburg Tigers coaches.

Maryville coach Joe Drake understands Gillenwater's frustration on this, but also knows it's a team effort and sometimes

things don't happen the way they should.

"I think he's disappointed, but he's known over the years where we've done the same thing strategy wise for the other team," Drake said. "Again, it's disappointing, but he knows the strategy involved with their team as well as ours. Those things just happen and you can't let that be a disappointment to you, that's just apart of wrestling."

Though Gillenwater knows that strategy is apart of wrestling he still was very unhappy about what happened.

"I was pretty upset," Gillenwater said of his match. "I had family come in that I haven't seen for like three years, so I was pretty upset."

The effect of the forfeit certainly sparked a vengeance against

Tigers.

The Spoofhounds dropped the dual 46-33, but that didn't keep some wrestlers from defending their captain's honor.

In the 160-pound match Cliff Robertson came out on a mission to get a pin for his team, and to make the Tigers pay for not wrestling Gillenwater.

"I was a little mad that they did that to Cody, he's a great wrestler. I was mad that he didn't get a chance to wrestle at senior night here," Robertson said.

A quick takedown led to a pin for Robertson 20 seconds into his match.

The 'Hounds' heavyweight Partridge also took part in giving punishment to his foe.

In the quickest takedown of

see 'HOUNDS on 3B

WOMEN

BASKETBALL
MIAA STANDINGS

Team	MIAA	Overall
Washburn	9-0	20-0
Emporia State	8-1	19-1
Missouri Southern	5-4	13-7
Central Missouri	5-4	12-7
Missouri Western	4-5	14-6
Northwest	4-5	12-8
Pittsburg State	2-6	9-10
Southwest Baptist	2-7	10-10
Truman State	1-8	9-10

*Standings as of Wednesday night

UPCOMING GAMES

Saturday, Feb. 4

Emporia State at Truman State
1:30 p.m.Northwest at Pittsburg State
1:30 p.m.Missouri Southern at Washburn,
5:30 p.m.Southwest Baptist at Missouri
Western 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8

Central Missouri at Missouri
Southern, 5:30 p.m.Northwest at Emporia State
5:30 p.m.Truman State at Missouri
Western 5:30 p.m.Washburn at Pittsburg State,
5:30 p.m.

CONFERENCE STATS

MIAA Scoring Leaders

- Michelle Stueve, ESU.....21.7
- Jennifer Harris, Washburn.....21.4
- Brooke Ubelaker, Washburn.....17.7
- Tracy Patry, PSU.....16.9
- Laura Friederich, NW.....14.9
- Andi McAlexander, ESU.....14.7
- Tiffany Vincent, CMSU.....14.5
- Inga Buzoka, MWSU.....13.5
- Jill Johnson, MWSU.....13.4
- Mandi Schumacher, NW.....13.1
- Lindsey Maple, TSU.....12.9
- Georgia Mueller, TSU.....12.2
- Dacie Reutlinger, MSSU.....12.1
- Casey Henningsen, ESU.....12.1
- Livia Brito, SBU.....11.8

MIAA Rebounding Leaders

- Michelle Stueve, ESU.....9.1
- Casey Beavers, SBU.....8.2
- Inga Buzoka, MWSU.....7.7
- Denisa Svarova, ESU.....7.5
- Mandi Schumacher, NW.....7.5

4 'Cats finish strong at Iowa State

By Brett Barger
Chief Reporter

The Northwest track teams enjoyed a week off to heal in preparation for their next meet at the Iowa State Open in Ames, Iowa, held last weekend.

The 'Cats ended with four individuals placing in the top five—three coming from the men and one from the women.

Junior E.J. Falkner, in his first meet of the season, placed third in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.83 seconds. He also earned a ninth place finish in the 60-meter dash with a time of 6.98 seconds.

Northwest men's track coach Richard Alsop thought that Falkner could have won

the 60-meter dash but a mental error set him back.

"E.J. actually ran fast enough in the preliminaries to win the finals, but he didn't get out of the blocks well. He finished ninth, but there were nine people within seven-hundredths of a second of each other," Alsop said.

Junior Eric Isley continued his success finishing third in the 1,000-meter run with a time of 2:32.18 and now has two first-place finishes and a third-place finish on the season.

Isley, who had knee surgery last spring, ran the 1,000-meter dash to work on his conditioning.

"I haven't been able to do a lot of distance running because of my knee," Isley

said. "I've got the speed part down, but it's the endurance I have to work on."

Freshman Bayo Adio, making his season debut, finished third in the high jump with a leap of 6' 5".

Sophomore Courtland Ingram, who placed fourth in the pole vault last week, experienced some tightness in his legs after running the hurdles and did not compete in the pole vault.

For the women, senior Alisha Samuel placed fourth in the 60-meter dash with a time of 7.76 seconds.

Northwest women's track coach Scott Lorek could see Samuel as struggling early in her events, but felt she turned it around at the end.

"Alisha Samuel hit an NCAA provisional mark in

the 60-meter dash. That was very good, especially since she's been struggling with some nagging injuries," he said. "Her preliminary race wasn't that good and her 200-meter dash the night before wasn't all that good, but she really turned it around and made something good happen."

Junior Stacey Loemker also finished placing 14th in the weight throw with a toss of 13.32 meters.

Freshmen Lexi Koenig placed 15th in the pole vault with a vault of 8' 4".

The women's team will resume action Feb. 10 at the Central Missouri State Mule Relays in Warrensburg, Mo., while the men will compete on Feb. 11 at the Mule Relays, also in Warrensburg.

MEN

BASKETBALL
NABC/DIVISION II
COACHES POLL

1. Virginia Union	14-2
2. Fort Hays State	18-1
3. Southern Indiana	21-2
4. Western Washington	16-2
5. Seattle Pacific	16-2
6. Montaville	18-2
7. Findlay	18-2
8. Barton	15-1
9. Delta State	18-1
10. Saint Joseph's	18-2
11. Southwest Baptist*	18-2
12. Northern State	17-2
13. Winona State	16-4
14. Alabama-Huntsville	17-3
15. Tarleton State	16-4
16. Grand Valley State	17-3
17. Alderson-Broaddus	14-3
18. Southern Illinois-Edwardsville	15-3
19. West Liberty State	16-2
20. Columbus State	14-5
21. Minnesota State-Mankato	17-4
22. Truman State*	16-4
23. Saint Anselm	15-5
24. Johnson C. Smith	14-4
25. Clayton State	15-3

* Indicates MIAA school

Others receiving votes: Central Missouri State* 15, Mount Olive 11, Massachusetts-Lowell 10, Chaminade 9, Northwest 8, Saint Augustine's 8, West Virginia State 7, Armstrong Atlantic State 6, Stonehill 5, Grand Canyon 5, Lynn 3, Saint Rose 3, Ferris State 2, Sonoma State 2, Ashland 1, Bentley 1.

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- Quentin Edwards, MSSU.....15.3
- Shawn Herrman, ESU.....14.6
- Jason Warren, MWSU.....14.4
- Sheldon Pace, SBU.....13.6
- Xavier Gaines, NW.....13.2
- Mose Howard, NW.....13.1
- Frans Steyn, SBU.....12.9
- Jason Jemison, SBU.....12.6
- Andy Calmes, Truman.....12.6
- Austin Meyer, NW.....11.8

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returners Tommy Miller and Zach Chambers.

"Daniel's the same type of young man (as Smith)," Tjeerdsma said. "He is a real quality person. Daniel is a guy we thought really highly of out of high school and tried to get him here and he chose to go the I-AA route in Western Illinois. I think both of the guys will definitely contribute."

Although no Maryville players signed at Northwest, area residents will see a familiar face in Savannah's Brock Houston. Houston finished with all-conference, all-district and all-state honors as Savannah's wide receiver.

"I think all of his best days are ahead of him, he's got a lot of upside," Tjeerdsma said.

Other notable recruits

include Willie Horn from Blues Spring South in Lee's Summit, Mo. Horn is the younger brother of current New Orleans Saints wide receiver Joe Horn.

The team also signed Brett Kaiser, a defensive end from Elkhorn, Neb. Kaiser is the younger brother of current Northwest defensive end Kyle Kaiser.

Overall, Tjeerdsma is pleased with the 2006 class. Tjeerdsma said more good than bad has come from the short time span he had to work with.

"I think (the run) more than made up for it," he said. "It's a give and take, we were five weeks behind but from what I saw this year, we'll do that again anytime. Even if we stayed behind, it would be worth it to be in the national championship."

2006 Football Recruiting Class

Player	Hometown (transfer)	Position
Alex Anderson	Omaha, Neb.	S
Blake Bolles	Lincoln, Neb.	QB
David Curtin	Overland Park, Kan.	DE
Daniel Garbis	St. Louis (Western Illinois) LB	LB
Matt Hatcher	Fountain, Colo.	OL
Cory Hernandez	Kansas City, Mo.	OL
Willie Horn	Lee's Summit, Mo.	WR
Brock Houston	Helena, Mo.	CB
Ryan Jones	Liberty, Mo.	OL
Brett Kaiser	Elkhorn, Neb.	OL
Ryan Lessman	Sioux City, Iowa	RB
Clynt Moore	Sioux City, Mo.	TE
Nate Raffety	Omaha, Neb.	OL
Eric Rickert	Omaha, Neb.	DL
Shayne Shade	Des Moines, Iowa	LB
Thomas Smith	Denver (Northern Colorado)	LB
Kyle Sunderman	Papillion, Neb.	DE
Aaron Terry	Omaha, Neb.	DL
Alex Tomes	Sioux City, Iowa	LB
Adam Vondrak	Sioux City, Iowa	LB
Dane Wardenburg	Creston, Iowa	OL
Jason Wiseman	Garden City, Mo.	OL
Steven Wiseman	Garden City, Mo.	OL
DeAndre Womack	St. Louis	LB
Tristan Young	Arlington, Texas	WR

SPORTSBRIEFS

Former Bearcat placekicker signs with AFL team

The Arena Football League (AFL) team Columbus Destroyers signed Luis Berlanga, former placekicker for the Northwest football team, on Jan. 19.

During the 2004 season, his only as a Bearcat, Berlanga set the NCAA all-division's (I-AA, I-AA, II, III) single season record for consecutive points after

touchdown (PAT) with 73. He also set school records for PATs (76), points by a kicker (122) and field goals (16).

On Aug. 28, 2004, Berlanga set a then-MIAA record with an 11-for-11 effort on PATs against Minnesota State-Moorhead. He was selected as a Daktronics First Team All-Southwest

Region pick. He won the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Special Teams Player of the Week honors three times.

NBC will be broadcasting AFL games nationally. Columbus started its season on Sunday, Jan. 29. For more information visit columbusdestroyers.com.

New team looks at Maryville resident for inaugural coach

The Midwest Basketball League will place its first franchise in northwest Missouri this fall.

The team, the Missouri Tornados, looks to Maryville native Roger Nichols to be its first coach.

In a recent press release, team president Shawn Smith said that Nichols will be a big part of the team once negotiations are done.

Nichols previously

owned, operated, and was the head coach of the Missouri Hawks basketball team.

Midwest Basketball League is negotiating with several other cities.

The cities include Springfield, Mo., Lawton, Okla., Ponca City, Okla., and Topeka, Kan.

For more information visit leaguelineup.com/midwesttornados.

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Downhill slide continues for struggling 'Hounds

Basketball team shut out for first part of quarter

By Brendan Kelley
Assistant Sports Editor

It was an uphill battle from the very beginning for the Maryville Spoofhound boys' basketball team on Tuesday night as they were handed a 67-41 loss from the visiting Platte County Pirates at Maryville Middle School.

"They just beat us in every facet of the game, offense, defense, big guys and guards. I thought at times we played them tough and made some runs at them," coach Mike Kuwitzky said. "I thought at times we slowed them down a little bit, but we couldn't ever cut into their lead too deep they're just a lot better than us."

The Pirates led 10-0 when Kuwitzky called a timeout with 5:33 left in the first quarter to try and settle things down. Kuwitzky then used another timeout 29 seconds later after another Platte County basket.

"We were so flat, I just didn't want the thing to get away from us," Kuwitzky said. "I was just trying to get a charge in them and get

them going because I saw ahead and I knew if we kept going like we were, it was going to get out of hand."

John Hart scored the first Maryville basket with 4:39 left in the first quarter.

Hart was the only 'Hound to score in the first quarter. His two baskets brought the score at the end of the first quarter to 20-4.

The second quarter was more of a back and forth battle than the first, but the Pirates still outscored the 'Hounds and took an 18-point, 34-16 lead into the break.

The Pirates went on a 10-0 run to start the third quarter and used a balanced scoring attack to push their lead to 53-25 at the end of the third quarter.

"Probably the biggest concern is the fact that our defense didn't get back," Kuwitzky said. "We knew that they could run and they did. They got so many easy looks."

The 'Hounds got seven points from Hart in the fourth quarter bringing his total for the night to 17, in the 26 point loss.

"John had a great night, he really responded well. He's steadily getting better, he's really the leader of the team now," Kuwitzky said.

"The kid loves basketball, he loves to play and wants to do well and he's starting to do what we want him to do consistently."

The Pirates shut down sophomore Andy Walter.

He had been the 'Hounds main offensive threat so far this season by double teaming him when he caught the ball and keeping a constant eye on him.

Walter ended the evening with 11 points, but was forced to shoot from way beyond the three-point arch on most of his attempts due to the stiff defensive pressure.

"Andy is our best shooter and they really put the clamps on him, so he couldn't get any looks," Kuwitzky said. "The rest of the team has got to pick him up, we've got to get some scoring from some other people."

The 'Hounds struggled defensively against the Pirates as they ran the floor and knocked in shots inside the paint all night long.

"Defense is the big

concern, giving up 67 points," Hart said. "Comparative to the past two years of Maryville basketball, if we gave up more than 40 points it was a rare occasion, so our defense really needs to pick up."

The loss dropped the 'Hounds to 4-14 on the season.

It leaves them in a bad spot with a tough schedule coming up which includes four straight games on the road, starting with a game at No. 7 Smithville Friday night.

"We got to get back to work tomorrow night and the next night," Kuwitzky said. "The next Monday (Feb. 2) we go to Westport and the next Friday (Feb. 10) we go back to Benton, then we play at Savannah (Feb. 16) who's beat us twice and then we end at home with Cameron (Feb. 21) who's number two in the state."



PHOTO BY KELLIE WHITE / ASST PHOTO EDITOR
RYAN SUDHOFF'S shot is blocked by a Platte County defender Tuesday night. Maryville loss the game 67-41.

'HOUNDS: Wrestlers fall on senior night

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the night, Dexter Partridge pinned Plattsburg's Chandler Kimrey 24 seconds into the first period.

The 'Hounds also got wins from Luke Lancaster at 152-pounds and Zach Sherry at 189-pounds during the

loss.

Saturday, Maryville hosted its annual Quad-State Classic, held at Maryville High School.

Maryville placed three on the day, Robertson placed third, Partridge took fourth and Gillenwater took first defending his title from last

year.

Gillenwater said he hopes to stay close to home and hopes to wrestle next year at Central Missouri State University where Drake's son also wrestles.

The 'Hounds wrestle at 6 p.m., today, at St. Pius X in Kansas City, Mo.

Injuries plague 'Hounds

By Cali Arnold
Community News Editor

The Maryville Spoofhounds girls' basketball team continues their battle against injuries.

Senior Kim Wolfer and sophomore Jennifer Seipel both suffered injuries in Tuesday night's 52-35 loss to Platte County.

Wolfer continued playing after being hit early in the game. After experiencing headaches and nausea Wednesday, 'Hounds coach Adam Willard said she may have suffered a concussion.

Seipel, Maryville's point guard, lost her footing with approximately 30 seconds left in the game and will be out indefinitely with a high ankle sprain.

"I want to get back on it as soon as possible, but right now I can't even stand on it it hurts so bad," Seipel said.

The 'Hounds led by one point at halftime after outscoring the Pirates 16-8 in the second quarter. Willard also credited the good play in the first half to controlling rebounds and running the transition game really well.

"We've played as well as we have all year in that first half," Willard said. "We just don't have a true point guard...we're going to struggle on that the rest of the season."

Platte County outscored Maryville in the third quarter 19-6. The 'Hounds fell to 4-13 on the season with the loss.

Junior Jaclyn Guess isn't worried about the rest of the team after Tuesday night's injuries.

"Other girls will have to step up but I think we'll be OK," Guess said.

Guess and Wolfer scored 10 points apiece and junior Bobbi Austin had nine.



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Your Man loathes University hypocrisy



The Stroller

Your Man has noticed a big trend on campus: hypocrisy.

He noticed several girls visited Godfest 2006 only to return to the dorms and get dressed to go to the bars.

"I'll wear my skirt *this short* for Jesus."

He's noticed this Culture of Quality that we push so much is simply a mockery of the administration. We slap the word onto everything we can and send our students to class in the classy trailer park.

After all, why would we build a new building for those classes if we can simply keep building benches around Colden Pond. You know, the

ones we never use?

And at the basketball game he saw the Bearcat "fans" cheer with such enthusiasm that three Central Missouri State University fans overpowered them.

Activity from the Green House? About as much as you'd expect from an actual greenhouse. It's like they're our fans trapped in a deep vegetative state.

Your Man says it's time to tone-down the campus, reassess our priorities and pull the plug on the Green House.

It seems we too easily brush over our shortcomings with the idea that it can't possibly be just our fault.

After all, we're not capable of individual thought. We act as mindless drones.

No wait, I'm pretty sure those are bees. Last time I checked—no stinger.

Did you know that if you search for the 'Mods' on the Northwest Web site, it turns up only one hit for the actual buildings?

It seems the administration has simply chosen to gloss over the fact that for the past several years they've considered that doublewide trailers are suitable for students.

Why, they've even added awnings outside. Never mind the health risks associated with modular buildings such as mold.

The Department of History, Humanities, Philosophy and Political Science among other departments must have less quality than biopharming.

After all, this failed merger is leaving a hefty bill on the University, and all for an anticipated addition of 200 full-time students in that area.

Apparently, the tuition of 200 new students is more important than the health of current ones.

Up to this point, it seems students have only casually complained, and any possible "Culture of Quality" cards submitted to the administration have fallen on deaf ears.

But Your Man is not just concerned with the official University

actions, but the students who play a key role in them.

We can lay back and take what the administration hands us or we can play an active part in changing it.

This means we might have to get off our butts and actually do something. Let's take baby steps: get off your high moral horse and actually support our teams.

Quit pretending to be devout while trying to maintain the party life.

You're all starting to act like Paris Hilton, and we have enough spoiled harlots in society.

And just a side note: the Boston Celtics, although green and white, are not the Northwest Bearcats.

If you're going to show up the game in your jersey, tube socks and short shorts, at least get the team right.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of *The Northwest Missourian*.

Going Out? Get connected

Today

■ Thursday Night at the Union: Texas Hold 'Em. 10 p.m. @ Union Ballroom.

Friday

■ Encore "Swan Lake" @ Performing Arts Center. 7:30 p.m.

Saturday

■ Encore "Swan Lake" @ Performing Arts Center. 7:30 p.m.

Sunday

■ Maryville Alumni and Friends host Superbowl Party. @ Alumni House. 5 p.m.

Monday

■ Last date to drop semester classes for 25 percent refund. @ Registrars office.

Tuesday

■ Maryville Parks and Rec Pitch Tournament



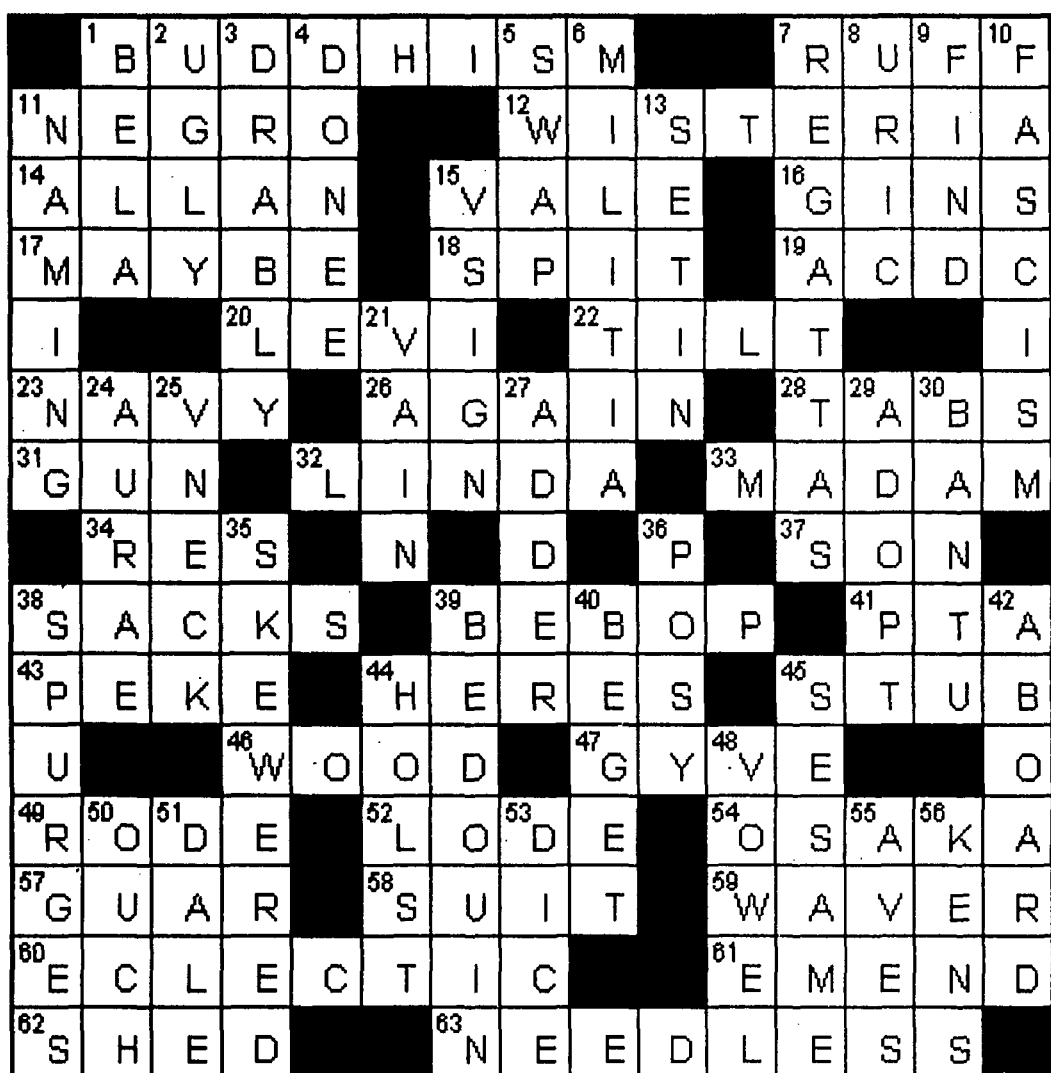
Every Tuesday @ 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday

■ Theatre "Evening of Ives" @ Performing Arts Center. 7:30 p.m.

■ Temple Baptist Church "The Kings Kids Program" Every Wednesday night @ 7 p.m.

Deadline for submissions for the calendar are due Friday prior to publication and can be mailed to Calendar of Events, 800 University Drive, Wells Hall #2, Maryville, Mo. 64468 or e-mail northwestmissourian@hotmail.com.



Across

- To come nearer to
- Scallywags
- Before
- Waterproof coat
- Young
- W German city
- Italian island
- Leading in golf
- Absent without leave
- Fourth canonical hour
- Fruit tree
- Huge
- Young male horse
- Listless
- Complete
- Excessively
- High public esteem
- Punishable transgression
- Female name
- Crowd
- Adequately moist
- Located
- Romanian money
- Capital of Yemen
- Strength of a solution

(mainly Brit.)

- Bring in
- Appear
- Vertex
- Impolite child
- Average
- Bantu language
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- Male name
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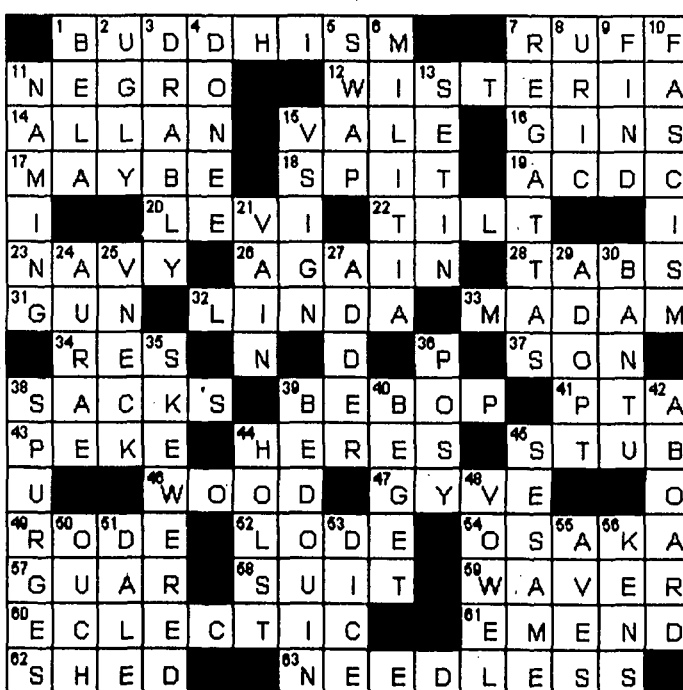
Down

- Pertaining to Africa
- Having no money
- Punctual
- Color again
- Black bird
- S Pennsylvania city
- Storm of freezing rain (3,5)
- Spy
- Private exchange
- Height

11. Kidnap

- Decorate with thin materials
- Cut of beef
- Southeast Asian psychic disturbance
- Seeped
- Post
- Exultate
- Tenor violin
- Smoldering fragment from a fire
- Physicist
- Deputy Chief
- Child's game
- North African winds
- Trudge
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'Grizzly Man' mauls competition

By Ashley Bally
Features Editor

"Grizzly Man" is a documentary/biography film into the work of Timothy Treadwell. He was an explorer, filmmaker and educator.

He lived among grizzly bears for 13 years before one of them claimed his life and the life of his girlfriend, Amie Huguenard, Oct. 5, 2003.

Treadwell believed his purpose was to protect the grizzly bears and educate the people on their docile nature.

At first look "Grizzly Man" seems to present an account of the extensive work Timothy Treadwell accomplished while living with grizzly bears in the Alaskan wilderness. The film goes far beyond the borders of a documentary and becomes a deeper investigation into the inner workings of Treadwell himself.

There are several clips throughout the film that present Treadwell as a fun-loving friend of nature. He names the bears he encounters and would frequently set his camp next to fox dens.

Throughout the film he is documented telling the animals he loves them and they become his replacement for humans.

The other side of Treadwell is a darker and more confused. Treadwell is bitter towards the human race and his character

changes from day to day, from clip to clip and at stunning speeds.

Werner Herzog ("The White Diamond," "Pilgrimage") directs the film with the utmost respect to the individuals involved and

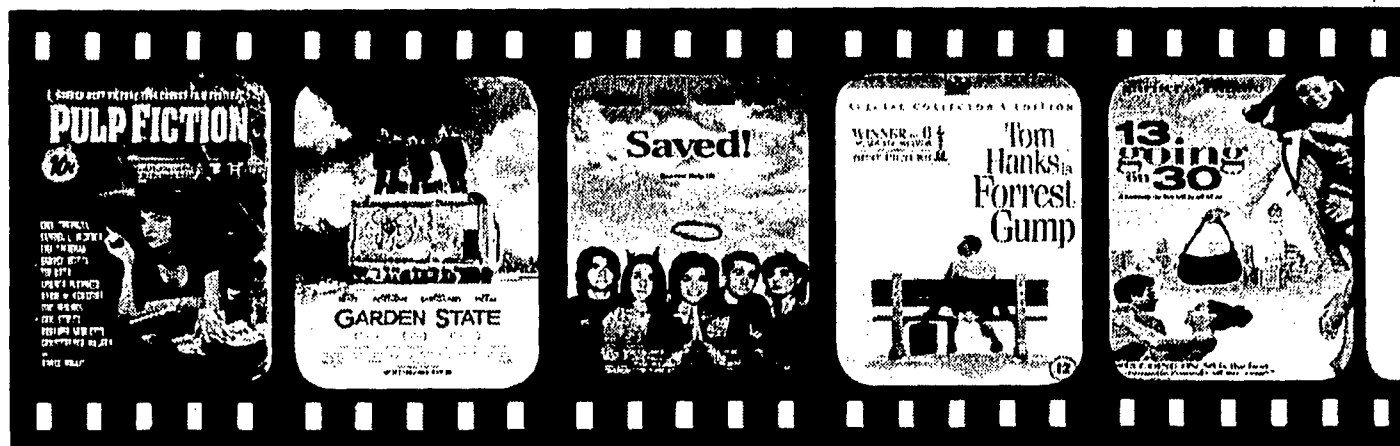
respect for the deceased. The composition of the film is astounding. Herzog combined Treadwell's footage with interviews of the people around him. The interviews attempt to shed light on the controversy surrounding Treadwell's involvement with the environment.

Watching the movie is a strange journey for the viewer. There are scenes where you feel the utmost sympathy for Treadwell, scenes that convince you he shouldn't be there, and others where you can't help but laugh at his insane behavior.

It's strange that such a dark story can be told with such a beautiful setting. In one shot in particular the camera focuses on a single piece of the Alaskan countryside.

There are no animals or people in the clip, the only movement is in the breeze. It is breathtaking.

"Grizzly Man" is one of the best movies I have seen this year. It is thought provoking, beautifully directed and captures life in a way that is rarely seen in our world of fiction and celebrities.



Editor's Flick Picks

Each week a *Missourian* staffer will entice you to broaden your viewing pleasure with their favorites. This week is Stephanie Stangl, Co-Editor in Chief.

"Pulp Fiction"

I first saw this movie with my uncle and cousin and was very confused how it was all broken up into mixed-around segments. But after watching it one more time, I couldn't stop. Although graphic at times, this movie makes me laugh every time I see it. You have to have the right sense of humor for this one and pay attention because otherwise you will catch the sometimes disguised humor in this cult-classic.

"Garden State"

Not only did Zach Braff direct this awesome flick, but he starred in it, too! I love Zach in "Scrubs," the television show, and I loved him in this. This is another movie that has tons of hidden humor that you will only catch if you are paying close attention. It's a movie that speaks volumes of love and life, and it was just an amazing movie from beginning to end.

"Saved!"

I have watched this movie at least five times back to back. It's the first movie that I actually enjoyed Mandy Moore's acting. "Saved!" is a wonderfully funny movie about the hypocrisy of Christianity. At first I didn't want to watch it because I thought that was rather rude, but by the end, the movie concedes that there has to be a God because of all the miracles and great stuff that happens every day.

"Forrest Gump"

I am not sure if anyone doesn't love this movie. "Jenny, I might be stupid, but I know what love is." I just absolutely love all 2 1/2 hours. From the beginning to the end, Tom Hanks character had me in awe. It speaks much of life and love and I couldn't stop watching it for the longest time. It made me laugh, cry and think. I couldn't ask for more from a movie.

"Thirteen Going on 30"

This is a movie I fell in love with instantly. It's about a girl who dreams of being "flirty, thirty and thriving" and is instantly catapulted into the world of being the editor of a prestigious magazine. I love this movie because I would love to be the main character—living in New York City at living the life of a high-powered editor. "Thirteen Going on 30" is a very cute movie full of girly favorites.

Need something to do? Check out the entertainment calendar.

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
INXS. @ Midland Theatre, Kansas City, Mo. 8 p.m. \$35.50-67.50. The Zoo Story @ Vaudeville Mews, Des Moines, Iowa. 7 p.m. \$15.	She Wants Revenge. @ The Record Bar, Kansas City, Mo. 8 p.m. \$8. Must be 21. Patty Larkin. @ Lighthouse Coffeehouse, West Des Moines, Iowa. 8 p.m. \$15.	Sound Tribe Sector 9. @ The Blue Note, Columbia, Mo. 8 p.m. \$15. \$2 surcharge for minors. The Veronicas. @ Uptown Theatre, Kansas City, Mo. 8 p.m. \$9.33.	The Veronicas. @ Majors, Columbia, Mo. 8 p.m. \$8. \$2 surcharge for minors. Hell Within. @ El Torreon, Kansas City, Mo. 7 p.m.
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
John Fedchock/Paul McKee. @ Blue Room, Kansas City, Mo. 7 p.m. \$10. The Toasters. @ Vaudeville Mews, Des Moines, Iowa. 7 p.m. \$10.	Hinder. @ The Blue Note, Columbia, Mo. 7 p.m. \$11. Must be 18.	Honorary Title. @ Bottleneck, Lawrence, Kan. 8 p.m. \$10. Richard Buckner. @ Davey's Uptown Ramblers Club. 8 p.m. \$10. Haste the Day. @ El Torreon, Kansas City, Mo. 7:30 p.m.	Chris Cagle. @ Voodoo Lounge at Harrah's Casino North Kansas City, Kansas City, Mo. 8 p.m. \$20. Must be 21. Someone You Love. @ Sheslow Auditorium, Des Moines, Iowa. 7:30 p.m. \$27.50.

'Lord of War' blasts onto DVD

By Ashley Bally
Features Editor

Nicolas Cage takes center stage in "Lord of War," a good movie with one bad actor.

"Lord of War," chronicles the career of Yuri Orlov (Cage) as a troubled arms dealer. He travels from location to location, collecting, selling and distributing weapons. This self-made "war lord" begins to question the morality involved in his career and the negative implications on the people around him. All the while, he is relentlessly pursued by agent, Jack Valentine (Ethan Hawke). The film is based on actual events.

Cage ("Adaptation," "The Weatherman") portrays Orlov in the exact same style that he portrays all of his charac-



ters: mundane, troubled, uptight, whiney and weak. From "The Weatherman" to "Leaving Las Vegas" he has yet to break out of his boring shell. In every film he has portrayed the exact same character. Was Seth

his name in "The Family Man?" Oh, no wait, that was the name of his character in "City of Angels." It would be so much easier if they just kept the same name, the switching is really unnecessary.

On the other hand, I think Jared Leto as Yuri's brother, Vitaly, was very well executed. Leto ("Requiem for a Dream," "Urban Legend") plays a struggling drug addict coping with his brother's success, and later with Yuri's immoral lifestyle. His acting is a clever

reminder of Harry Goldfarb's drug tendencies in "Requiem for a Dream."

The film features several different locations where Orlov makes his sales. He travels from the Middle East, to South America, to Europe. The film communicates the idea that all people can be united under the lust for war and an arms dealer will always find employment.

Andrew Niccol is off to a great start in his career as a director. "Lord of War" is Niccol's third film.

"Lord of War" is another film in the classic line that has you rooting for the bad guy. Orlov is a war lord.

The kind of person that would sell guns to children and all anyone wants is for him to rededicate himself to a life of substance.

In spite of Cage's acting, I would recommend this film to anyone who appreciates a realistic story line.

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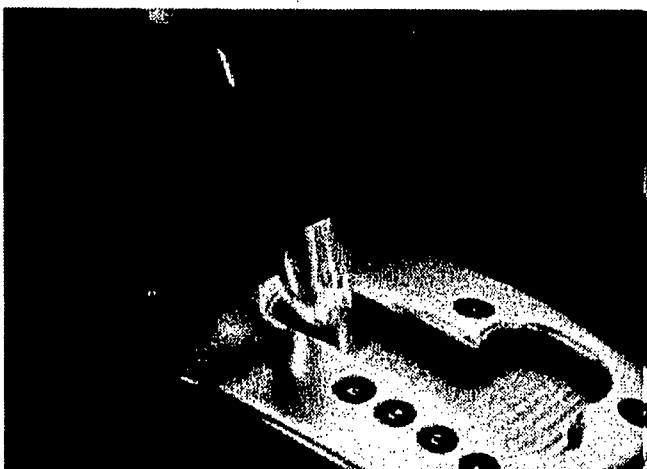
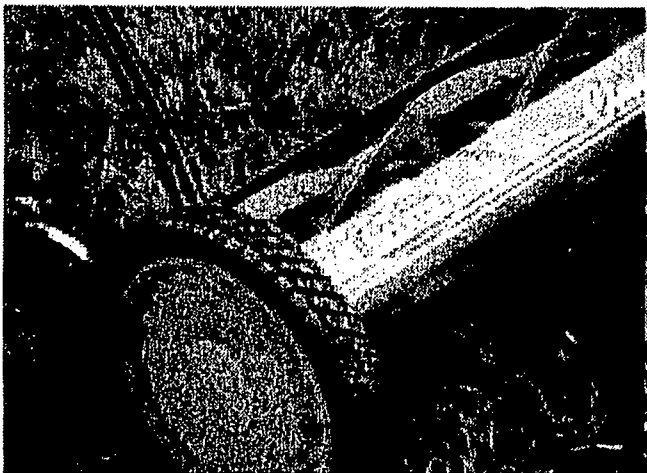
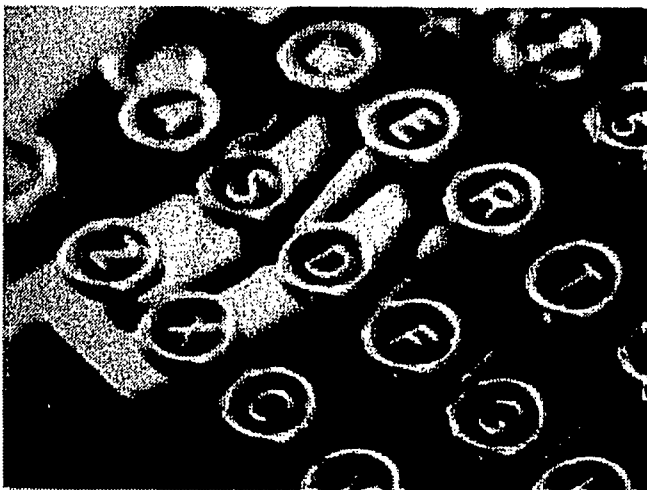
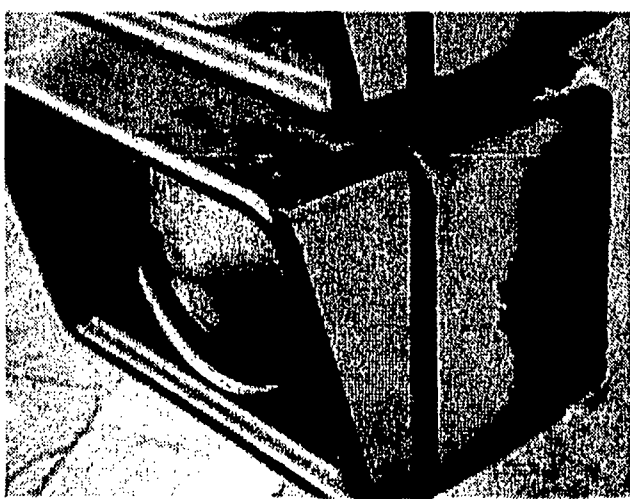
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The traffic light was invented by Garrett A. Morgan, the pencil sharpener was invented by John Love, the typewriter was invented by Leo Burridge, the lawn mower was invented by John Burr, the automatic gear shift was invented by Richard Spikes, the brush was invented by Lydia O. Newman, the mop was invented by Thomas W. Stewart.

PAST meets PRESENT

Black inventors created part of the world we live in

By Ashley Bally
Features Editor

Imagine a world where no one could mow their lawn, a place where driving is nearly obsolete, where clothes would have to hang dry for hours, or a loved one could not receive blood or the open heart surgery it would take to survive.

February is Black History Month. It's the time of year when the nation looks back on the trials and achievements of African American's in our nation's history.

Daniel Hale Williams performed the first open heart surgery in 1893

Northwest Missouri State University has hired a new Minority Affairs Coordinator. Ame Lambert is laboring at the forefront to make sure Black History Month is properly celebrated and acknowledged on campus.

Lambert has been in office for little over a week but her roots are stretched across seas and into her home in Nigeria.

Pictures of inventors and famous faces cover every inch of her desk. Things are barely unpacked and students breeze in and out at rapid speeds.

"We all have the seed of greatness in us," Lambert said. "No matter what you look like we are all capable of great things."

Just sitting in front of the blue computer screen typing up the information about these inventors fills Lambert with a strong sense of admiration, while subconsciously sitting up straighter in her seat.

Madam C.J. Walker created a line of hair care products in the early 1900s

One inventor stood out to both Lambert and Freshman Brittney West.

"Without the hair care products, no chemicals, not a brush, comb or anything would be able to touch their hair," West said. "That is a major thing because everyone uses it every day."

Lambert also explained that appearance is very important in the African culture.

George T. Samon invented the clothes dryer

According to Lambert, without the inventions and dedicated work from the leaders in our history, life would be extremely limited.

Life would be stifled in so many ways, ranging to what life would be like without the automatic gear shift to the absence of the fire escape.

Charles Drew started the world's first blood bank and discovered how to store and preserve blood

"Seeing the accomplishments these people have achieved has instilled a feeling that life can't get you down," Lambert said.

Many of these inventors surpassed restrictions imposed by a lack of formal education and poverty to achieve great things.

"Looking back and seeing what these inventors did with the restrictions they had

is an inspiration but it is also a call to arms for me," Lambert said. "If they can do what they did when there were Jim Crow laws or when it was illegal to go to school then with the advantages I have now, I know that I must live up their legacy and actually surpass it."

Black History Month mourns loss of pioneers

Last Monday, all eyes were on national headlines as announcements were made that Coretta Scott King, widow of civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., had passed away.

King continued her efforts to achieve equality long after her husband's assassination.

According to her biography, she was passionate and frequently spoke on the topics of racial and economic justice, children's rights, gay and lesbian rights and religious freedom.

The nation's suffered the loss of one brave woman who simply refused to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala, city bus in October 2005.

Rosa Parks' steadfast beliefs lead to the renowned Montgomery Bus Boycott. Her vision lead her to work for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, on the staff of U.S. Representative John Conyers and earned her the Congressional Gold Medal of Honor.

To get involved

Throughout the month of February many activities are planned to encourage students to get involved in Black History Month.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

Alliance of Black Collegians host game night and Black History Trivia Quiz 7 to 8 p.m. in the Union Living Room.

Wednesday, Feb. 8

Alliance of Black Collegians will host movie night with the film "Amistad" at 7 p.m. in the Union Living Room.

Friday, Feb. 10

Minority Men Organization's "Tribute to the Ladies," 7 p.m., Union Ballroom.

Monday, Feb. 13

Discussion forum: "Focus on Stereotypes," 7 p.m. Union Living Room, hosted by Minority Men's Organization.

Wednesday, Feb. 15

Students will perform the skit, "A Day without Black People," at noon in the Union Living Room.

ABC will host movie night with the film "Rosewood" at 7 p.m. in the IIC Living Room.

Thursday, Feb. 16

Students will perform the skit, "A Day without Black People," at noon in the Union Living Room.

Monday, Feb. 20

Speaker: Bernard Franklin, president of Penn Valley Community College, 7 to 8 p.m., Union Boardroom.



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THE NEW director of minority affairs, Ame Lambert, talks to students on the first day of Black History Month. Lambert, who has been on the job for about two weeks, helped organize the month's events.